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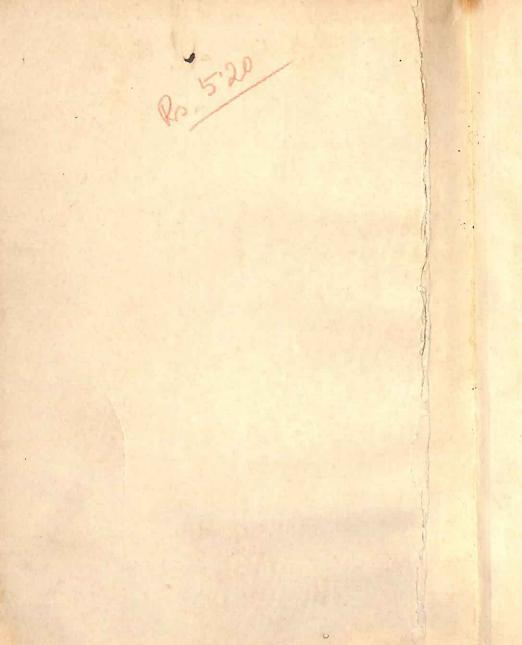
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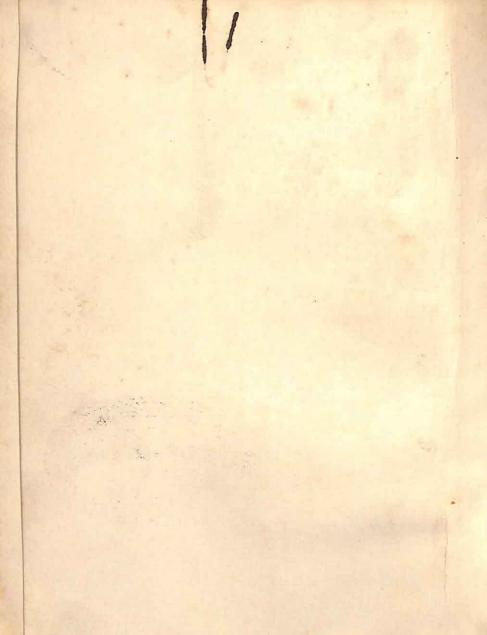
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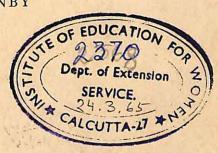


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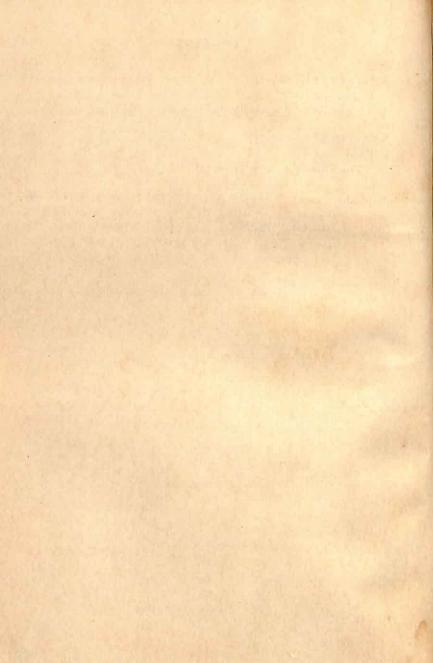
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#### INTRODUCTION

In recent years education authorities in many countries have compiled and published syllabuses for the teaching of English as a foreign language. In these syllabuses there is more emphasis upon the teaching of structural words, and upon phrase and sentence patterns, than upon the teaching of vocabulary.

Problems of vocabulary control received attention in the early part of this century. The Interim Report on Vocabulary Selection (P. S. King & Son, Ltd., London, 1936) was accepted as a reliable guide by textbook writers in many countries. In its revised form, A General Service List of English Words (Longmans, London, 1953), it is an even more valuable reference book, because the editor, Dr. Michael West, has added semantic frequencies.

When questions of vocabulary control had been dealt with there was a shift in emphasis. It was recognized that the learning of words was not the most difficult aspect of learning a language. Not enough was known, however, about methods of presenting other aspects. There was, as there still is, a large number of 'Methods', and in these the order in which structural words, patterns, and tenses should be presented varied widely. The majority of courses started with finites of be and statements of identification ('This is a pen', etc.). Courses that gave prominence to reading presented the Simple Tenses (essential for narrative) early, but those that claimed to use a 'Direct-Oral Method' presented the Present Progressive (or Continuous) Tense first and postponed the Simple Tenses.

Work on patterns was undertaken by the Institute for Research in English Teaching, Department of Education, Tokyo, in the years before the Second World War. Some of the results of this work may be found in Dr. H. E. Palmer's Grammar of English Words (Longmans, 1938), with its emphasis on structural words, its collocations, and verb patterns. They are also to be found in the verb patterns in An Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English (O.U.P., 1948) and in A Guide to Patterns and Usage in English (O.U.P., 1954).

Important work has also been done by the authors of the various Oxford English Courses (O.U.P.), notably L. W. Faucett and F. G. French. The Teaching of English Abroad (Three Parts, F. G. French) provides much information on the subject.

The grading of structural words and patterns has benefited in more recent years from the work done by Professor Bruce Pattison, Dr. J. A. Noonan, and others at the University of London Institute of Education. Those who have studied there, including numerous Education Officers of the British Council, have helped to make the Institute's work known in many parts of the world.

Important work on structures has been done in the U.S.A., notably at the English Language Institute of the University of Michigan, and especially for Spanish-speaking students from Latin America. This work may be studied in the numerous publications of the English Language Institute, and in books by Professor C. Fries, including Teaching and Learning English as a Foreign Language (University of Michigan Press, 1946), and The Structure of English (Harcourt Brace, New York, 1952).

Structures are closely related to grammar, but not to traditional grammar. The structural approach to language learning does not require the student to know or learn definitions of the parts of speech or of clause and sentence. Structures are the devices that we use to make signals, to convey meanings, and indicate relationships. In English, word order is far more important than inflexion. The inversion of subject and finite verb in 'Is she' indicates the question form, and the

word order in 'Harry gave Mary a book' indicates what was given, to whom and by whom.

Contrasts of position are far more important in English than inflected forms of words. Such terms as nominative, accusative, and dative, necessary for Latin grammar, are of little or no value in the study of English, and quite unnecessary in the teaching and learning of English as a foreign language.

Stress and intonation are an essential part of the language. A 'leather 'jacket (two equal stresses) is a jacket made of leather. A 'leather-jacket (stress, with change of pitch, on the first element of the compound) is a kind of grub that will develop into a crane-fly. The hyphen helps when we see the word in print, but in speech (if the word is in isolation) the signal for meaning comes from stress and pitch.

All these various items have, in syllabuses, been put together under the common label 'structures'. This is convenient but inexact. The use of the conjunction but is hardly a problem of structure. It is a lexical item. Many of the items listed in the syllabuses are lexical, not structural. They all have to be presented, illustrated, learnt, and practised. Instead of being called 'structures' they are, in this book, called 'teaching items'.

The teaching items set out in this book are those considered suitable and desirable for the first stage of an English course for children of 10 or 11 years and upwards. This stage may be anything from six months to twoyears, depending upon the number of hours per week devoted to English. Most syllabuses and textbooks in common use today, if compiled or written in recent years, will deal with teaching items almost identical with the items included in this book. Where there may be disagreement is in the order of presentation of these

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Children under 10 will probably be taught by quite different procedures.

items. Teachers may, if they wish, either follow the order in which the items are presented here, or they may readjust this order to bring it into conformity with the syllabus they are following or the textbooks they are using.

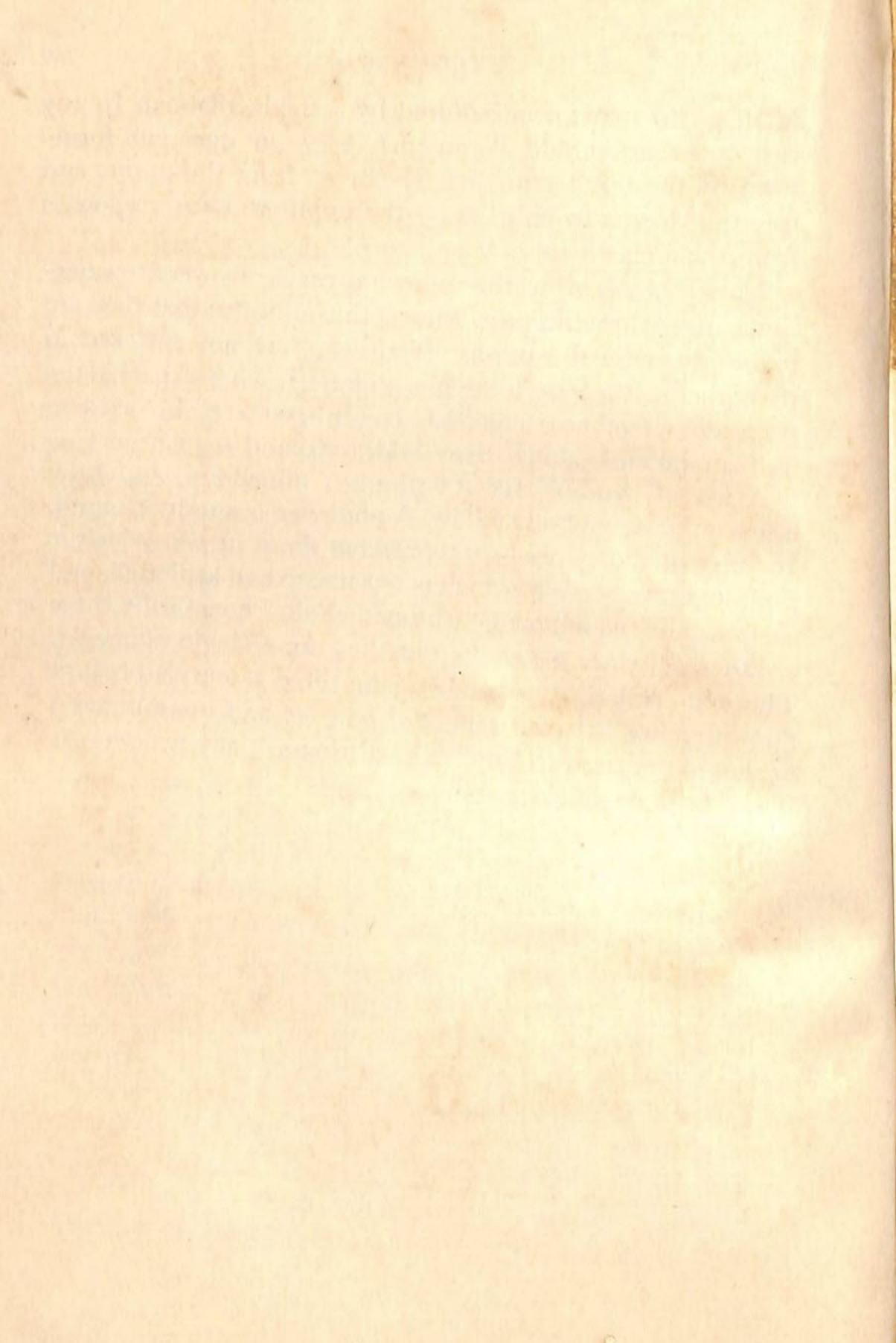
Considerable flexibility is always possible, and, indeed, desirable in any language course. The order in which these items are presented must depend upon the extent to which those of the learner's language are parallel or not. In Chapter 1 of this book the first pattern to be presented is one for identification: 'This (That) is . . . .' The statement may identify a person ('This is David'), or an object ('This is a horse'), or an object and its owner ('This is my watch'). The selection to be made from these three possibilities will depend upon which pattern is most closely paralleled in the mother tongue of the learner. If, in the mother tongue, there is no equivalent of the indefinite article (in the sense 'specimen of the sort of thing called'), learners will be happier, probably, if a start is made with 'my (your) watch' instead of 'a watch'.

The question of the stage at which question-and-answer work should be introduced is difficult to answer. Some experts argue that it should be postponed for a considerable time, even for three to six months. They assert that this postponement is particularly necessary when the language of the learner does not use word order—inversion of subject and finite verb—for the question form. It is possible to continue for many months without question-and-answer work, and, through the use of statements in suitable sequences, to obtain good results. Yet those who have seen classes of young learners, arms eagerly raised to answer questions, know that the stimulus provided by questions is real and valuable. In this book question forms are presented at an early stage. Again, however, flexibility is provided for. A note is given from time to time to indicate the possibility of postponing question-and-answer work if this is thought to be desirable

(or if postponement is required by a rigid syllabus). In any case, teachers should distinguish between question forms used by the teacher to elicit responses from the pupils and question forms to be used by the pupils to elicit responses from their classmates.

Note that when, in the following pages, answers to questions are enclosed in parentheses, this indicates that they are to be given by the pupils. If answers are not enclosed in parentheses, they are to be given by the teacher as part of the presentation of new material. Parentheses are also used to indicate possible alternatives, additions, and sequences.

A list of symbols for the English phonemes, and brief notes on tone symbols, follow. A phoneme is a unit of sound. In English the symbol |p| represents the p in pin, which is aspirated, the p in nip, which is to some extent aspirated, and the p in spin, which is not aspirated at all. Phonetically these are three distinct p-sounds, but they are a single phoneme. The one symbol |p| is used for the three p-sounds because the difference between aspirated p in pin and unaspirated p in spin is not used in English to distinguish any two words. It is non-phonemic.



# SOUNDS AND SPELLINGS

# PHONEMIC SYMBOLS

# 1. THE CONSONANTS

Phonemic symbol		Exam	ples	
р	pen	pen	top	top
P b	bag	bag	rub	rnb
t	ten	ten	wet	wet
d.	desk	desk	head	hed
k	сар	kap	back	bak
g	get	get	bag	bag
m	mouth	mauθ	come	kam
n	nose	nouz	nine	nain
ŋ	sing	sin	English	inglif
1	leg	leg	well	wel
f	face	feis	knife	naif
v	very	veri	five	faiv
θ	thin	θin	mouth	mauθ
ð	these	ði:z	mother	mʌðə* feis
s	six	siks	face	hiz
z	nose	nouz	his	fif
ſ	shoe	ſu:	fish	me 39*
J	pleasure	'ple39*	measure	veri
3 r	right	rait	very	hed
h	hat	hat	head	
	chair	t∫eə*	teach	ti:tʃ
t∫		dznmp	John	d3on wi:
d3	jump window	windou	we	
w	yes	jes	you	ju:

### 2. VOWELS AND DIPHTHONGS

Phonemic symbol
i: i e a a: o o: u u: A ə: ei ou ai au oi iə eə uə

#### NOTES

1. The symbols set out in these Tables can be used for a simplified transcription of English. Its advantages are set out in Appendix A of Daniel Jones's *An Outline of English Phonetics* (8th edition, 1956).

Many teachers and students of English are likely to be more familiar with the transcription used in Daniel Jones's English Pronouncing Dictionary, in An Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English, and in numerous textbooks on English phonetics. Others may have become accustomed to the narrow transcription used by I. C. Ward in her The Phonetics of English (Heffer, 1929). A table of equivalences for the three systems (marked 'Simplified', 'E.P.D.', and 'Ward' is given below. Consonant symbols are identical in all three systems.

Slant bars // are used to enclose symbols denoting phonemes and sequences of phonemes when these occur in contexts for which ordinary spelling is used. Slant bars are not used when symbols for phonemes or sequences of phonemes occur in columns (as in the Tables) or when a phonemic transcription is separated clearly from its equivalent in ordinary spelling.

Simplified		E.P.D.	Ward
i:	(as in seat)	i:	i
i	(as in sit)	i	I
e	(as in set)	е	3
a	(as in sat)	æ	æ
a:	(as in father)	α:	α
0	(as in hot)	э	Œ
o:	(as in hall)	o:	Э
u	(as in full)	u	υ
u:	(as in fool)	u:	u
ə:	(as in word)	ə:	3

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ei	(as in day)	ei	eı
ou	(as in boat)	ou	OU
ai	(as in buy)	ai	aı
au	(as in cow)	au	aσ
oi	(as in boy)	oi	IC
iə	(as in idea)	iə	IЭ
еә	(as in chair)	e3	ез
uə	(as in poor)	uə	ซอ

2. Stress is shown, where necessary, by the use of the marks and 1. The mark indicates a primary stress. The mark is placed before the stressed syllable or word: under / \( \land \) again /\( \rangle \) ge(i)n/. The mark 1 indicates a secondary stress: examination / \( \sigma \) zami \( \land \) indicates a primary stress on the penultimate syllable and a secondary stress on the second syllable.

The asterisk (as in /weə\*/) indicates the possibility of r-linking:

Where was it? weə woz it? Where is it? weər iz it?

The r-sound can be used when the word that immediately follows begins with a vowel sound.

If a symbol is printed in parenthesis, this indicates an alternative pronunciation. Thus again, transcribed as /əˈge(i)n/, indicates that the word may be pronounced either as /əˈgein/ (rhyming with chain), or as /əˈgen/ (rhyming with ten). The transcription /ˈpous(t)mən/ (for postman) indicates that /ˈpoustmən/ may be heard in slow or careful speech and that /ˈpousmən/ is commonly heard at ordinary speed.

#### The Tone Symbols

Several systems have been devised to indicate pitch level and change of pitch. In this book a very simple system is used.

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The symbols used in this book are:

The short horizontal stroke - to indicate a high-level pitch, the short horizontal stroke - to indicate a mid-level pitch, and the short horizontal stroke \_ to indicate a low-level pitch.

The symbol \( \) indicates a fall from a high-level pitch to a low-level pitch. The symbol \( \) indicates a rise from a low-level pitch to a high-level pitch.

Here are examples, with notes.

#### I. \_I'm touching the \wall.

The words I'm are on a low-level pitch. The words touching the are on a high-level pitch. There is a fall in pitch on the word wall.

#### 2. Am I -touching the Jdoor?

The words am I are on a high-level pitch. Because there is a stress on the first syllable of touching, the words touching the are uttered on a lower pitch, mid-level pitch. The voice then drops to low-level pitch at the start of the word door and rises during the utterance of this word.

Conventional punctuation marks are usually considered adequate in phonemic transcriptions without tone symbols. They are not always adequate, however, in tonetic transcriptions. If, in a statement or question, there is more than one intonation phrase, the boundary may not be indicated by a comma. In the question

Am I touching the Jwall or the Jdoor?

the only conventional mark of punctuation is the question mark at the end. There is no mark after wall to indicate that with this word one intonation phrase ends.

To indicate tonetic boundaries of this sort a single vertical

stroke or bar is used.

Am I touching the Jwall | or the Jdoor?

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Other examples of the use of this bar to indicate tonetic boundaries are:

Is this a pen or a pencil?

The first intonation phrase ends on pen.

The Jgreen book is in my right hand. The Jblack book | is in my left hand.

In these two statements attention is called to the adjectives. This is done by the use of a rising tone on green and black and a falling tone on right and left. In each statement the first intonation phrase ends on book.

#### Abbreviations (Used in Patterns)

VP	Verb Pattern
S	Subject
V	Finite Verb
V	Non-finite Verb
D.O.	Direct Object
I.O.	Indirect Object
A.P.	Adverbial Particle <sup>2</sup>
(Pro)noun	Noun or Pronoun

Only, in this book, the present participle.

<sup>2</sup> i.e. one of the short preposition-like adverbs such as on, off, in, out, up, down, back, away.

TABLE No. 1
Summary of Material in §§ 1-8

		John (Mary) Mr. (Mrs., Miss).	Brown (Green, White).
This		a	stone (cow, horse, desk, book).
mi -	is	an	apple (egg, inkpot, umbrella).
That		my (your)	bag (desk, pen, head, mouth).

TABLE No. 2

Summary of New Material in §§ 9–12

These				stones (cows, trees, desks, books, eggs, umbrellas).
Those	are	my (	your)	books (pens, pencils).
This	is	my	left	hand (eye, ear).
That	is	your	right	

TABLE No. 3
Summary of New Material in § 14

It is	a	book.
It's	my your	pen. pencil.
They are	(—)	books.
They're	my your	pens. pencils.

TABLE No. 4
Summary of New Material in § 15

What is What's	this?	
What are	these?	

TABLE No. 5
Summary of New Material in § 16

Is	this that	a pen or a pencil? a bag or a box? my book or your book?
Are	these those	pens or pencils? bags or boxes? my books or your books?

TABLE No. 6

Summary of New Material on §§ 17–20

Is	this that	a	cow? bird? horse?	Yes, it's	a	cow. bird. horse.
,	it	my your	book? box?	No, it isn't	my your	book. box.
Are	these		cows? birds? horses?	Yes, they're		cows. birds. horses.
Control	they	my your	books? boxes?	No, they aren't	my your	books. boxes.

TABLE No. 7
Summary of New Material in § 21

lo, it isn't. they aren't.

TABLE No. 8

Summary of New Material in §§ 23-25

My Your His Her	name	is	Paul. John. Anne. Mary.
What	is	my your his her	name?

TABLE No. 9
Summary of New Material in §§ 23-27

This That	is	John's	head. face. nose. book.	
It		Mary's	right left	hand. arm. foot. leg.
These Those They	are	her	arms. legs. books. pencils.	

TABLE No. 10
Summary of New Material in §§ 28–29

This That		or a	a	boy. girl. man. woman.	
His			Robert. David. Mr. Gi		
Her	name	is	Susan. Mary. Mrs. B Miss V		
What			this that	boy's girl's man's woman's	name?

TABLE No. 11
Summary of New Materials in §§ 28-34

		E-1'1	
is	an	English American African	1
is not	а	French tall thin	boy.
isn't	an	English American Indian	
	a	Chinese short fat	girl.
are not aren't	a my	pupil.	
am am not	a your	teacher.	
~~~	is not  isn't  are are not aren't am	is not  an  isn't  a  are are not aren't  am  am  am  am  am  am  am  am	is not  a French tall thin  English American Indian  Chinese short fat  are are not aren't  am  a  American Indian  American Indian  American Indian  Chinese short fat  pupil.

TABLE No. 12

Summary of New Material in §§ 35-37

This That It				the	floor. ceiling. clock. blackboard.
This	book bag			the	floor. table.
That box box It		is		my your his her Peter's	desk.
These Those	books bags boxes	are	near	the	door. window. blackboard.

TABLE No. 13
Summary of New Material in § 37

This That It	is	a	red green yellow	pencil.
These Those They	are	larg sma		books.

TABLE No. 14
Summary of New Material in § 38

				3 3
The	red blue	book pencil	is	on the desk.
Strike With	green	books pencils	are	in my hand.
Where	is	the	red	pencil?
	are		blue	pencils?

TABLE No. 15
Summary of New Material in §§ 39–40

This is	a	small capital	letter.	
	the	letter	a.	
	a	word.		
	an	English word.		
	the	word	man. desk. box.	
	a	number.		
	the	number	one. two. three.	
	four.			

TABLE No. 16
Summary of New Material in § 40

Two is		a half of	four.	
Three	is	a quarter of	twelve	
What is		a half of a quarter of	eight?	

TABLE No. 17
Summary of New Material in § 41

You I		am	at	the	door. window. blackboard.	
The	long short	hand	is	at	six. twelve.	blackboard.

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## TABLE No. 18 Summary of New Material in § 41

I am You are		the door and the window. the table and the blackboard.		
The red book is	between the	the green book and the brown book. the brown books.		
The short hand is		six and seven. nine and ten.		

TABLE No. 19
Summary of New Materials in §§ 41-45

		three twelve	Y I	o'clock.
It is The time	five ten a quarter twenty twenty-five half	past	one. two. three. four. five. six. seven.	
		five ten a quarter twenty twenty-five	to	eight. nine. ten. eleven. twelve.

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#### TABLE No. 20

#### Summary of New Material in § 46

I Am	am I			door(.)
We You They	are	near	the	window(?)
Are	we you they			blackboard(?)

TABLE No. 21
Summary of New Material in §§ 49–50

I	am				
V	aiii	touching opening			door.
You	are				bag.
He		clo	osing	the	box. window.
She John is		pulling pushing			desk.
Mary		writing		a word. my (your, his, her) name.	
What		am I		, say, ner ) name.	
		are you			
		is	he she John	doing?	

TABLE No. 22

Summary of New Material in § 51

I	am	swimming. writing.			
You They	are	walking			door.
He She John Mary That boy	is	running going coming	from	the	window.

TABLE No. 23

Summary of New Material in §§ 52–53

You	are	looking at	me. him. her. them. us.
I	am		
He She John	is		you. them.

TABLE No. 24
Summary of New Material in §§ 54–56

-			
I'm	2014	the book(s) the pencil(s) the bag(s) it them	on the desk. in the box.
You're They're	putting	the shoes the hat(s) the watch(es) it them	on.
He's She's John's	to lai	the book(s) the pencil(s) the bag(s) it them	from the desk. out of the box.
	taking	the shoes the hat(s) the watch(es) it them	off.

TABLE No. 25
Summary of New Material in §§ 57–60

I You	have(n't)	two three	pens pencils books		my	hand.
He She	has(n't)			in	his her	
This table That dog It	has	four legs.				
		have		I? you?		
How many	legs			that table? that dog? it?		

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## TABLE No. 26 Summary of New Material in §§ 62–65

There are(n't) Are there	two three	doors windows	in this room(.)
There is(n't) Is there	a	bag box	on the desk(.)
How many	doors windows	1	in this room?
	bags boxes	are there	on the desk?

TABLE No. 27
Summary of New Material in §§ 66–69

There is(n't) Is there	a	ball		
There are	some no	balls	in this box(?)	
There aren't Are there	any	Dans		
	a	pen		
I have	some no	pens	on my desk(?)	
I haven't Have I	a any	pen pens	(r)	

TABLE No. 28

Summary of New Material in §§ 70–72

There is I have	something nothing	()
There isn't Is there I haven't	anything	in my left hand (?) on my desk (?)
There is someone (somebody) no one (nobody)		in that corner.
There isn't	anyone (anybody)	near the door.
There are	(—) pine-trees	in many parts of the world.

### TABLE No. 29

### Summary of New Material in §§ 74-75

	Who	is	touching the wall? cleaning the blackboard? walking to the door?		
Which	book box	is	on my desk? on the floor?		
	Which	is	on my desk, the red book or the green book?		

TABLE No. 30
Summary of New Material in §§ 77–80

This is	is	its head.		
		a	boys' girls'	school.
		a	boy's girl's	bicycle.
		its		legs.
These	These	our your their		pens.
Those	arc	boys' girls' men's wome		clothes.

TABLE No. 31

Summary of New Material in §§ 81-84

The book is The keys are	between	the bag and the box.	
The lamp is	over		
The basket is	under	the table.	

TABLE No. 32
Summary of New Material in §§ 91-97

There	There are twenty seven of		minutes v-four hours days months	in	an hour. a day. a week. a year.
The	first second last		day		Sunday. Monday. Saturday.  January. February.
Today Yestere Tomor	day row	is was is (will be)	Sunday (Mor the first (see (June, etc.).		December.  uesday, etc.).  tc.) of May

TABLE No. 33

Summary of New Material in §§ 98–107

I am	showing	you him her them John	my watch. my hands. a map. a picture. a ball.
	giving	Peter	the books. these stones. the pencils.

TABLE No. 34

Summary of New Material in § 108

These are the hands	of	the clock.
This is the top	of	the blackboard.
This is a picture	of	a boy.
This is a glass	of	water.
That is a bag	of	sand.

TABLE No. 35

Summary of New Material in §§ 109–10

You are (standing) (sitting)	behind in front of	me. John. the desk.
	on my	right. left.

TABLE No. 36
Summary of New Material in §§ 112–14

This That	is	ink. water.
Is	this that	milk?

TABLE No. 37

### Summary of New Material in §§ 115-16

This is	a box of matches. a tin of cigarettes (tomatoes). a bottle of milk (ink). a piece of chalk (wood, leather).
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TABLE No. 38

Summary of New Material in § 117

This box is	full of matche books.	
	empty.	

TABLE No. 39
Summary of New Material in § 118

This table is	made of	wood.	
That window			wood and glass.

TABLE No. 40
Summary of New Material in §§ 119–121

A STATE OF THE STA		
This (book) It Which	is	mine(.) yours (.) his (.) hers (.) Mary's (.)
These (books) They Which	are	mine(.) ours(.) ours(.) theirs(.) yours(.)
Whose (books)	is are	this (that)? these (those)?

TABLE No. 41

Summary of New Material in § 122

This That Which	one	is	mine(.) yours(.) yours(?) his(.) hers(.)
These Those Which	(ones) ones	are	ours(.) theirs(.) Tom's(.) Mary's(.)

TABLE No. 42
Summary of New Material in §§ 123-6

He You We There	am is are	going to	open the door. write a word on the black- board. put the pen in the box.
We They	are		put the pen in the box.

TABLE No. 43

### Summary of New Material in §§ 127-31

I have (just)	put the balls in the bag. given her a book. sat down. opened the book.
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TABLE No. 44
Summary of New Material in §§ 132-6

	The book The book		on th	ne table.
Was the		on the table?		Yes, it was. No, it wasn't.
Were the	books			Yes, they were. No, they weren't.
Where	was	John the book it, he, she		
were		we, you, they the books		a few seconds ago?

#### TABLE No. 45

### Summary of New Material in § 137

A few moments ago	I had	three pencils on my desk.
		five books in this bag.

## TABLE No. 46 Summary of New Material in §§ 138-9

I	rubbed	the line out.
You	touched	the top of the blackboard.
Mary	opened	the door.
Who	cleaned	the window?

TABLE No. 47
Summary of New Material in §§ 140-4

	The second				
What	did	I he Jack etc.	do	a minute ago?	
Did	I he you Jack etc.		school s	yesterday?	
	Van	1 7			

Yes, No,	I he she	did.
No,		-

TABLE No. 48

Summary of New Material in §§ 145–50

These Those	three four five	(books)		mine. yours. Paul's.
Your My His John's	two five	(books) (balls)	are	red. yellow. large. small.

TABLE No. 49
Summary of New Material in §§ 151-3

and the same of th		
Every book	on the table	is red.
Every boy	in this class	has a pen.
Not every line	on the board	is long.
All the pencils All these pens All these bags All my (your, his, Mary's) books	are	blue.

TABLE No. 50
Summary of New Material in § 154

The These Those My Your David's	pencils pens bags books	are	all both	blue.
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TABLE No. 51

Summary of New Material in §§ 154-6

Both	the my his David's	books		on the desk.
All	these those	DOORS	are	mine. his. hers. David's.

TABLE No. 52

Summary of New Material in §§ 157–8

Next month		June.	
You He John	will be	here tomorrow.	

TABLE No. 53

Summary of New Material in §§ 159-61

John	will be	twelve (years) old on his next birth- day.
I	shall be	here tomorrow.

## TABLE No. 54 Summary of New Material in § 163

I (You, We, They)	come	
John (Mary, He, She)	comes	()
Do (I, you, we, they) Does (John, Mary, he, she)	come	here every day(?)

Yes,	I (we, you, they)	do.
No,		don't.
Yes,	David (Mary, he, she)	does.
No,	( ), no, she)	doesn't.

# TABLE No. 55 Summary of New Material in §§ 169-73

The sun rises in the easts in the washines every			vest.			
Where	doe			ne sun	rise (set)? shine?	
Does	a b	ird				
Do Door	bir		s fly?		Yes,	it does.
Does Do	a c	-		fly?	No,	it doesn't.
	Oo cats				per eller	they don't.

#### CHAPTER 1 (§§ 1-8)

### This is ... That is ...

- § 1. The pronouns this and that will be taught during the first week, probably in the first lesson, with the verb is. There are three possible procedures:
  - (a) Names of pupils may be used. This is John. That is Mary.
- (b) Names of objects, preceded by the indefinite article, may be used.

This is a \desk. That is a \chair.

(c) Names of objects, preceded by a possessive, may be used. This is my desk. That is your desk. That is David's desk.

The first procedure is simple and will need little time. It has the advantage of presenting only three English words (this, that, and is). But the teacher may be meeting his class for the first time and may not know the names of his pupils. The difficulty can be got round. The teacher may have a seat plan with the names of his pupils written on it. Or he may ask his pupils to write their names in large script on cards to be pinned on the front of the desks, so that the teacher can read them while standing in front of the class.

Some teachers may like to give their pupils English names. These will provide practice in the pronunciation of some of the new English sounds. In countries where the Latin alphabet is not used for the mother tongue and has not yet been learnt, English names written on cards may not be practicable until a later stage, when the letters are known. When pupils are familiar with the Latin alphabet, however, English names will be useful for writing practice. Pupils should not practise writing with words that they have not yet used in speech. Personal names such as John and Mary can be used. They give practice in the shapes of both small and capital letters.

Lists of English names for boys and girls, and of family names, are given at the end of this book. If the class is large, the number may be too small. But the same name may be given to two children. If their seats are in different parts of the class-room there will be little trouble.

In each list the names are in three groups, with the sounds |s|, |z|, and |iz| for the possessive ending (the 's of the written and printed form). If English personal names are used, care should be taken to include a fair proportion from each of the three groups, in order to ensure practice in the three sounds of this ending.

§ 2. The first procedure does not need much description. The teacher either calls pupils to the front of the class, or he walks round the classroom. He touches, or (standing at their side, so that this is appropriate) points to, a number of pupils in turn, and makes statements:

This is \Tom. This is \Harry. This is \David. This is \Mary, etc.

Pupils may not remember more than a few of the new names at first, but as soon as they are familiar with the names of their neighbours, they may be called upon to stand up and name the pupils sitting on each side of them, in front of them, or behind them. It will help if pupils have name cards pinned on their clothes.

To teach *that* the teacher points to pupils who are at a distance. A pupil may be told (in the mother tongue) to stand near the door, or in a corner. The teacher then points and says:

That's John.

After several examples have been given, a pupil may be called to the front. He will point to pupils whose names he knows, and make statements.

Pupils sometimes say /ðatsiz/ (by confusion with /ðis iz/). If this error is made, the teacher must at once give more examples himself. It may help to start with 'That is' /ðat iz/ and then continue with /ðats/.

In a co-educational school there is no difficulty in teaching English names for both boys and girls. If the class is of boys only, or of girls only, wall pictures may be used. (Pictures from periodicals, e.g. those with coloured advertisements, are easily obtained.) These pictures will be useful again later for teaching he/him/his and she/her/hers.

Three or four pictures, each of one boy or girl only, will be enough. If the pictures are placed well separated, there will be no difficulty when a pupil is asked to stand near one of them, point to it, and then to the others, and say:

This is Anne. That's Lucy. That's Mary. That's Helen.

Pictures of men and women may be used if the teacher wishes to teach the titles Mr., Mrs., and Miss. These titles are presented

in § 31, so there is no need to introduce them here.

The choice between the second procedure, 'This is a ...', and the third procedure, 'This is my (your) ...', will depend upon whether, in the mother tongue of your pupils, there is an equivalent of the English indefinite article. If there is no clear equivalent, it may be better to continue with my and your.

The second procedure is described in §§ 3-4. The third pro-

cedure is described in §§ 5-8.

§ 3. The indefinite article requires care in its presentation because it is used in different senses.

It may mean 'a specimen of the sort of thing called', as in 'This is a book'. The equivalent with a plural noun is zero, as in 'These are (—) books'.

It may mean 'a certain', as in 'A man was walking along the street'. The equivalent with a plural noun is some, or several, as in

'Some men were walking along the street'.

It may be a weak substitute for the numeral one, just as the definite article the is often a weak substitute for this, these, that, or those. The plural equivalent is again some (or several, or a few).

These various uses of the indefinite article may be confusing to learners if presented together. The use of the indefinite article in the sense 'a certain', and its use as a weak substitute for 'one', are

hetter postponed. Its use for 'one' can be presented when introductory there (as in 'There is a book on the desk') is taught, or when have and has (as in 'I have a pen') are taught. Care will be needed even then, because as well as the plural forms some, any, several, a few, etc., the zero plural is possible in these structures. 'There are (-) pine-trees in many parts of the world', and 'This box has (-) matches in it' are normal English sentences.

§ 4. In the examples in this chapter the indefinite article has the

meaning 'specimen of the sort of thing called'.

If you are presenting the pattern 'This is a . . .' after the pattern "This is my (your) ..., do not begin by revising the use of my and your. The change from 'This is my book' to 'This is a book' when the same book is referred to is an unnatural sequence. In fact it is better to avoid, for your first presentation of 'This is  $a \dots$ ', the use of articles or objects associated with individual ownership. Establish the structure 'This is  $a \dots$ ' first of all by referring to objects not owned by anyone in the class-room. It will then be possible later on to use the sequences: 'This is a book. It's my book'; 'That's a bag. It's your (his, her, David's, etc.) bag.'

Use not one but a number of different articles, for example, three or four boxes, three or four bags, three or four stones. They need not be identical. Use wall pictures that show not one horse, one cow, one tree, one bird, etc., but a number of horses, cows, trees, birds, etc. Do not talk about objects of which there is only one (e.g. blackboard, floor, ceiling). These are better used later, when the definite article is presented. You will not, of course, use any 'uncountable' noun: nouns such as ink, water, wood, and iron

will be taught later.

Hold up, touch, or point to one of the articles and say:

This is a \stone2 (a \box, a \bag, a \desk, an \inkpot, etc.).

The term 'uncountable' is given to those nouns that are not often used in the plural (because what the noun stands for is not usually counted, though it may, of course, be measured).

<sup>2</sup> You will not use the noun stone if, for your pupils, the initial consonant cluster /st/ is difficult. Words beginning /st/ may be presented later,

That is a horse (a cow, a bird, a tree, an um brella, etc.).

Do not present an until a is well established. (An may be post-

poned for two or three days.)

Use the weak forms /ə/ and /ən/. Link up the words 'This is a' /ðisizə/. Use 'That is a' /ðatizə/ instead of 'That's a' /ðatsə/ if you find that pupils say /ðatsizə/. The use of 'That's a' /ðatsə/ can be introduced later.

Make your statements with a clear falling tone on the appropriate words, as shown by the tone symbols in the examples that follow.

Next, hold up, touch, or point in turn to each of three or four articles of the same kind. These need not be identical in size, colour, shape, etc.

After the first statement, add the word too, and vary the in-

tonation by using a falling tone on This (or That) and too.

This is a \stone. \This is a stone, | \too. \This is a stone, | \too.

That is a \horse. \That is a horse, | \too. \That's a horse, | \too. \That's a horse, | \too.

Call upon pupils to repeat the statements and to make similar statements about other objects. See that they use *This* and *That* correctly, and the appropriate intonation. At first call pupils in turn to the front of the class (to the desk or table where the objects have been placed), or to the wall pictures, so that *This* is required. Then call upon pupils to speak from their seats, as you hold up, touch, or point to the objects, so that *That* is required.

§ 5. As already noted, the pattern 'This is my (your, his, etc.) ...' may be presented before the pattern 'This is a ...'. Learners in some language areas may find my and your easier than the indefinite article.

The procedures set out below are arranged in steps, each step providing enough material for a part of one teaching period. The rest of the period may be used for rhymes and games, and perhaps by first steps in learning to read and write.

### Step One

§ 6. Names of parts of the body are useful here. Start with head, face, and nose (with mouth and chin as optional extras). Hand, ear, and eye are more useful with these and those, and left and right.

Pass your open right hand over and round your head, touching it all the time you are speaking, and (as you say my) point with your left hand to your chest, and say:

This is my head.

Repeat the statement several times. Then call a pupil to the front of the class, and get him to repeat. See that he repeats your demonstration as he makes the statement. Call upon other pupils to do the same. Then require the whole class to repeat the statement and demonstration.

Repeat the procedure with face and nose (mouth and chin).

When the statement comes fluently, present your. Call a pupil to the front of the class and stand so that you are facing him. Then, speaking to him and to no one else, with the appropriate demonstration, say:

This is \your head.

Give numerous repetitions, and continue with face, nose (mouth and chin).

Contrast my and your with these new nouns.

This is my head. This is your head. This is my face. This is your face, etc.

(Do not use that yet. Establish the use of my and your with this first.)

Now require the pupil to repeat the statements and demonstrations. Stand facing him so that the demonstration (of this) is

If you are in a country where reference to the head, face, etc., causes embarrassment, use the nouns of Step Two.

clear. Repeat with other pupils. Then require two pupils to stand together, face to face in front of the class, and repeat. Require other pairs of pupils to do the same. See that my and your are contrasted by means of the falling tone. Then go back to the series in which head, face, and nose (mouth and chin) are used in succession, with the falling tone on the noun.

This is my head (my face, my nose, etc.).
This is your head (your face, your nose, etc.).

Require pupils in pairs to repeat the series. They may do this at their seats, turning to face one another.

### Step Two

§ 7. The nouns used in Step One are less useful for presenting 'That is my (your)...' because of the possible difficulty of giving clear indications at a distance. Names of objects that can be held up are preferable. Pen, pencil, and book (and desk if pupils have individual desks) are suitable.

Start with a revision of this.

This is my \pen (my \pencil, my \book).

Walk round the class-room and pick up an object belonging to a pupil. Hold it up and, while pointing to it and looking at the owner, say to him:

This is your pen (your pencil, etc.).

Hold up your own pen and say:

This is my pen.

Hold up the pupil's pen and say:

This is \your pen.

Give numerous repetitions as you go round the class, using the three nouns. Require pupils (individually) to make statements.

Now place your book on a table (or other place where it is clearly visible), stand at a distance, point to the book, and say:

That is my book.

Use a high-level tone on that (for clarity). Repeat the statement several times, and continue with pen and pencil.

### Step Three

§ 8. This step may need patience and perseverance. The aim here is to enable pupils to use *this* with *your* and *that* with *my*. They will, at first, tend to associate *this* with *my* and *that* with *your*.

Call a pupil to the front. He should bring with him his own pen (or pencil, or book). You will also have your own book (pen or pencil). See that the books are different in colour or size, and that the pens and pencils are different in colour or length. Stand at the pupil's side, touch or point to his book, and say:

This is your book.

Get him to hold up his book and say:

This is my book.

Give him your own book. Then, while standing at his side, first touch your book, then point to yourself, and say:

This is my book.

Get the pupil to say:

This is \your book.

(The pupil should touch the book on this, and point to you on your.)

Now get the pupil to hold up his own book. Stand at a distance, point to the book, and say:

That's \your book.

Next get the pupil to hold up your book. Stand at a distance, point to the book, and say:

That's my book.

<sup>&</sup>quot; Or 'That's'.

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After numerous repetitions take both the books from the pupil, stand at a distance, and require the pupil to make statements as you hold up the books in turn.

That's your book. That's my book.

Repeat the procedures with pen and pencil.

It is important that the objects used for this step should be personal possessions of the pupils. Do not allow pupils to use my with reference to objects that you yourself have brought to class. If at this stage the pupils have not yet begun to use an English textbook in class, either avoid using book or require them to produce a book for another subject (e.g. geography).

When several pupils have made correct statements of this kind (referring to objects belonging to teacher and pupil), require two pupils to come forward, each with his own book (pen or pencil), and repeat the procedure. Each pupil will in turn have his own book and that of the other pupil. The pupil with the two books will make the statements:

This is my book. This is your book.

He will then hold them up in turn, while the other pupil makes the statements:

That is your book. That is my book.

(Books of different colours or sizes will help correct identification.) Chorus work can be practised. The teacher holds up his book for the class to say:

That is \your book.

Then all the pupils hold up their books and say, first touching the books and then pointing to themselves:

This is my book.

### CHAPTER 2 (§§ 9-12)

These are ... Those are ...

§ 9. To present the plural forms 'These are' and 'Those are', the objects and pictures used for demonstration with 'This is' and 'That is' are suitable. A small number of new nouns may be introduced, but the main effort will be directed towards the teaching of the zero plural, and the three sounds of the plural ending. These are /s/, /z/, and /iz/.

Pupils already know my and your. There is a choice, therefore, between the pattern with the zero plural, as in 'These are (-) books', and the pattern with my and your, as in 'These are my

The first pattern is dealt with in § 10 and the second in §§ 11-12.

§ 10. Show a number of articles (e.g. bags, boxes, books), or point to a picture showing a number of objects (e.g. horses, insects, flowers, trees). Make a series of statements:

These are \pages (\pages, \pages, \pag etc.).

Use the weak form of are, and r-linking where necessary.

ði:zə \bagz. ði:zə \bə:dz. ði:zər \aplz. ði:zərnm \breləz.

To direct attention to the sounds of the plural endings, you will find it useful to have three lists of nouns.

I. With the sound /s/ for the plural ending: desk, book, ship, insect, clock, hat.

2. With the /z/ for the plural ending: chair, bag, stone, bird, tree, umbrella, pen, pencil, egg, apple, flower.

3. With the sound /iz/ for the plural ending: horse, box, watch,

bus, dress, face, orange.

When pupils have heard numerous statements, each statement repeated at least half a dozen times, call upon pupils individually to come to the front of the class (where the objects are displayed), or to go and stand by the wall pictures, and make statements with these.

Next present those. Stand well away from the objects or pictures,

point, and say:

Those are horses. Those are cows. Those are birds, etc.

When pupils are called upon to make statements with *those*, it is not necessary for them to leave their seats. They may point to the wall pictures. If the various pictures (of trees, birds, etc.) are well separated, or on different walls, there will be no difficulty.

§ 11. For the pattern 'These are my (your)...', the words hands, ears, and eyes are useful. When these are known, revision of 'This is my (your)...' with right and left may follow. It is probably better to postpone arm, leg, and foot. There may be confusion between arm and sleeve, foot and shoe, or even, in some language areas, between leg and foot and (e.g. in Greece) between arm and hand. Arm, leg, and foot can be presented more satisfactorily with his, using a wall picture of a boy or man in swimming trunks, or her with an unclothed doll.

Repeat the procedure set out in § 10. Demonstrate clearly as you speak. Start with these.

These are my hands (my lears, my leves).

Call a boy to the front. Stand facing him and say:

These are your hands (your ears, your eyes).

Make contrasting statements:

These are my hands. These are your hands.

<sup>1</sup> See § 22.

Call upon pupils to make the statements. They may do so in pairs, standing together in front of the class. They may do so at their desks, with their neighbours.

Next present those. Get a pupil to come to the front. Stand at

a distance, hold up your hands, and say:

These are my hands.

Get the pupil to hold up his hands. Then, still standing at a distance, say:

Those are \your hands.

Hold up your own hands again, and require the pupil to make the statements:

Those are your hands.

These are my hands.1

§ 12. Right and left may then be presented.2 Use clear falling tones on these words.

These are my hands. This is my right hand.3 This is my left hand.4

After numerous repetitions, repeat with ear and eye.

Continue with your, using the procedures described above. Then continue with that (both 'That is your right . . .' and "That is your left ...').

Procedures for 'This (That) is my (your) . . .', and 'These (Those) are my (your) . . .' have been described in detail. It may be thought that the use of the mother tongue can be a short cut here. There is no reason why the mother tongue should not be used for explanation. But translation of 'This is your book',

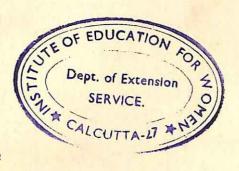
Do not use ears and eyes with those. Clear indication would be difficult.

<sup>2</sup> Some teachers may consider it useful to stand with the back to the class for this demonstration of hand, so that 'right' and 'left' are quite

3 Right hand held up. Forefinger of left hand pointing to it or touching it.

4 Left hand held up. Forefinger of right hand pointing to it or touching it.

'That is my book', etc., will not, of itself, give fluency in the use of the new structures. Only practice and repetition will enable learners to make statements without error or hesitation. Young learners will, at first, tend to associate this/these with my and that/ those with your.



#### CHAPTER 3 (§§ 13-16)

This is a ... It's my ...
That's a ... It's your ...
These are ... They're my ...
Those are ... They're your ...

What's this (that)? It's a...
What are these (those)? They're...
Is this (that) a... or a...? It's a...
Are these (those)... or ...? They're...

§ 13. The procedures set out in Chapters 1 and 2 make no provision for question and answer drills. In some lists of graded teaching items (as set out in syllabuses for English by Departments of Education), the introduction of question forms is postponed until about half-way through the first year's work. The reason given for this postponement is that the interrogative is made in English by inversion of the subject and the finite verb (I am  $\rightarrow Am I$ ,  $This is \rightarrow Is this$ ), a mechanism that is considered likely to be difficult for the learner. If this is considered to be a valid reason, most of the material in Chapters 3 and 4 may be left until a later stage. The presentation of it and they (in § 14) should not, however, be postponed.

'Yes' or 'No' questions, with short answers, are probably more difficult than questions with 'What' and questions with 'or'. The 'Yes' or 'No' type of question, if presented first, requires a recognition of five different features: (1) the inversion of subject and finite verb; (2) a new intonation pattern; (3) the substitution of a personal pronoun, it or they, for this/that or these/those in the answers; (4) the new words Yes/No; and (5) the short forms in the

negative answer, with isn't and aren't. There is also the point that the forms it's and they're are not used in short answers, affirmative.

It will be easier to start with the presentation of it and they in statements, then to present questions with 'What' (no change in intonation pattern), and continue with the alternative type of question.

Procedures for presenting this material are set out below.

§ 14. The pronoun it is used here as a substitute for the demonstrative pronouns this or that or for the interrogative what, used in a preceding sentence. The method of presentation is simple. A series of statements is made, first with this or that, and then with it. The statements with this or that use the indefinite article in the predicate; those with it use my or your in the predicate.

This is a book. It's my book. That's a book. \_It's \your book. This is a \pen. It's \my pen. That's a pen. It's your pen.

Note the falling tone on That's. Note the use of It's. Your pupils have heard the strong form of is in 'This is a' /ðisizə/, and the weak form /s/ in 'That's a' /ðatsə/. You may, therefore, prefer to let them hear both forms again, first 'It is a' /itizə/, and then /itsə/. Whether you present both forms, and discuss them, will depend upon the ages of your pupils. With very young pupils it is probably better to use only /itsə/, without comment.

Call upon pupils to make similar statements, using the nouns book, pen, and desk. See that they point correctly with this/my and that/your, and use the falling tone correctly.

Next give examples with the plurals. They is a substitute for these or those.

These are books. They're my books. Those are books. They're your books.

Further practice in the use of it and they may be given by presenting (with an equivalent in the mother tongue if necessary) the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Tell pupils in advance to put several books out on their desks.

imperative 'Look at'. This will enable you to use your wall pictures again.

Look at this (that). It's a thorse (a tree, a ship, etc.).

Look at these (those). They're birds (flowers, thorses, etc.).

Pupils may then be required to make similar statements.

§ 15. The next step is to ask questions with 'What'. Note that there need be no change in the intonation pattern. The signal for the question is the word what itself. You must yourself ask and answer a large number of questions before requiring pupils to answer questions.

What's this? It's a thair.

What's that? It's a desk.

What's this? It's a box.

What's \that? It's a \bag.

As with 'It's', you may use your discretion about using 'What is' /wot iz/ and 'What's' /wots/.

When you have given a large number of examples (using the wall pictures again), put questions to the class and require first individual answers and then chorus answers. Then call upon pupils in turn to ask the questions.

Continue with the plurals. Use the wall pictures, sometimes touching them and sometimes pointing to them from a distance.

What are these? They're trees.

What are those? They're birds.

Repeat the procedures set out above for the singular forms.

§ 16. Questions with or may follow. Note that there is now a new intonation pattern: a rising tone on the first noun and a falling tone on the second noun.

In 'What's this', this may be uttered with a rise in pitch. Do not use this pattern, or discuss it, for the present.

2 Use the weak form /ə/: wotə \hat{his}.

17 Start by asking and answering questions yourself. Then, when the new type of question is familiar, put questions to the class. Finally require pupils in turn to ask questions, to be answered either individually or in chorus by the rest of the class.

Is this a bag or a box? It's a bag. Look at this. Is it a pen or a pencil? It's a pen.

Are these horses or cows? They're horses.

Look at these. Are they birds | or insects? They're birds.

Are those strees | or \flowers? They're \trees.

See that pupils use r-linking after or where necessary, always before the indefinite article, and before plural nouns that begin with

Is this a bag | or a box? iz dis ə bag o:r ə boks? Are these birds | or insects? a: di:z /bə:dz | o:r \insekts?

Note that when you ask a question that begins with are your pupils may be hearing the strong form /a:/ for the first time. Up to now they have heard are in the pattern 'These (Those) are ...' (weak form /ə/) and in the question form 'What are these (those)?'

You may also use alternative questions with my and your.

Is this my book or your book? Is that my desk or your desk?

#### CHAPTER 4 (§§ 17-21)

Is this a ...? Yes, it is (a ...)

Is that a ...? No, it isn't (a ...)

Are these ...? Yes, they are (...)

Are those ...? No, they aren't (...)

§ 17. This chapter describes procedures for presenting 'Yes' or 'No' questions.

The material in Chapter 3 has caused pupils to become familiar with the personal pronouns it and they, inversion of subject and finite verb (as in 'What is this'), and with the rising tone (as in the alternative type of question, e.g. 'Is this a bag | or a box?'). When the 'Yes' or 'No' question is first presented, therefore, it will not be entirely novel. It is a kind of unfinished alternative question.

It is not usual to give long and complete answers to this type of question. It may, however, be preferable to give, and require from pupils, complete answers at first. Such answers provide practice in the sentence patterns. Later, however, pupils should hear, and themselves use, the short answer.

Teachers will decide for themselves the stage at which this type of question is to be presented, and the interval, if any, between the use of the long and the short type of answer.

§ 18. The teacher will start by asking and answering questions himself. The imperative phrase *Look at* may be used. No new nouns need be presented. In this way attention will be concentrated on the structures themselves.

It is important, when asking 'Yes' or 'No' questions, to use a clear rising tone on the noun in the question, or on the my or your, where these are to be made prominent. A high-level tone on the is or are in the first question of each group is helpful, because a high pitch carries the voice better. In succeeding questions in the

same group, however, where the rising tone is shifted, for prominence, from the noun to *this* or *that*, a high-level tone is less necessary on the verb. See the tone symbols in the specimens that follow.

- § 19. Touch, hold up, or point to various objects, or to wall pictures. Make a series of statements, to revise vocabulary items previously presented, and the use of *it* and *they*. Ask a number of questions with *what* and *or*, to revise these two types of question.
- 1. Look at this. It's a bag. Look at this. It's a box. Look at this. It's a pen, etc.

2. This is a book. This is a book, too. This is

a book, \ \too.

3. What's this? It's a pen. What's this? It's

a pencil, etc.

4. What's this? It's a ball. What's this? This is a ball, too. What's this? This is a ball, too.

Now hold up or point to other objects and put the first 'Yes' or 'No' questions.

Look at this. Is this a book? Yes, it's a book. Is this a book? Yes, it's a book. Is this a book?

No, | it \isn't a book. It's a \bag.

Look at that. Is that a desk? Yes, it's a desk. Look at that. Is that a desk? Yes, it's a desk. Look at that. Is that a desk? No, it isn't a desk. It's a chair.

Look at this. Is this a thorse? Yes, | it's a horse. Look at this. Is this a horse? Yes, | it's a horse. Look at this. Is this a horse? No, | it

isn't a horse. It's a icow.

Repeat the series, alternating this and that.

Look at this. Is this a Jchair? Yes, | it's a chair. Look at that. Is Jthat a chair? No, | it isn't a chair. It's a desk.

Look at this. Is this a bag? Yes, | it's a bag. Look at that. Is that a bag? No, | it isn't a bag. It's a box.

There is a choice between 'it's not' and 'it isn't'. The first has the advantage that the form 'it's' has occurred earlier, but the form 'isn't' is the one generally used. If, by now, you are beginning to teach reading (from the blackboard, or flash cards), give the full form 'is not' and tell your class that 'isn't' is the usual contracted form.

After giving a large number of examples, all singular, put questions to the class. When answers are given correctly and fluently, require pupils to come in turn to the front of the class, or to the wall pictures, and ask questions. See that the pupil uses an appropriate tone pattern. If he asks a series of questions about a number of articles of the same kind, for example, see that the rising tone is shifted to *this* (or *that*) after the first question.

"Is this a desk? (Yes, | it's a desk.) Is this a desk? (Yes, | it's a desk.)

Further drills in the singular may be given with my and your.

Is this a desk? Yes, it's a desk. Is it my desk? Yes, it's my desk. Is it your desk? No, it isn't your desk, it's my desk, etc.

§ 20. The next step is the presentation of the same kind of question with plural nouns. The same procedures are used. The wall pictures are very suitable.

Look at these. They're birds. Look at these. They're horses, etc.

What are these? They're cows. What are these? They're insects, etc.

Look at these. Are they birds? Yes, | they're birds. Look at these. Are these birds? No, | they aren't birds. They're horses. Look at these. Are they cows? Yes, | they're cows, etc.

In the negative answer there is again a choice, this time between 'They're not' and 'they aren't'. If you have taught 'it's not', teach 'they're not'; if you have taught 'it isn't', teach 'they aren't'.

Give your pupils plenty of practice with long answers. Give further practice with my and your (e.g. with books, pencils, pens). In the drills, choose the nouns, wherever possible, so that there are examples of all three sounds (/s/, /z/, /iz/) of the plural ending.

§ 21. The short answer may be presented next, or postponed for a few weeks if you think this advisable. When you present the short answer, the procedures described above (§§ 17-20) may be used again.

"Is this a box? Yes, | it is. Is this a box? No, | it isn't.

Are these birds? Yes, | they are. Are these birds? No, | they aren't.

It is important that, in the answers, there should be falling tones on Yes or No, and on the verbs is, isn't, are, and aren't. It should be unnecessary to point out that, in short answers, such weak forms as it's and I'm are not used. The finite verb is stressed. There may be a short pause after the Yes or No. Do not accept answers such as:

↑ Yes it \is. Yes they \are.

↑ No it \isn't. No they \aren't.

Answers without a pause after the Yes or No are frequently used by English-speaking persons, but it is desirable, at this stage, to teach the forms given here—a more careful and deliberate style.

Insist upon:

Yes, | it is. Yes, | they are. No, | it isn't. No, | they aren't.

In later drills, when 'Yes' or 'No' questions are used, you may ask for either a long or a short answer.

Is this my fright hand? (Tom, | long answer, | please.) (Yes, | it's your right hand.) Is this my right fear? (David, short answer, please.) (Yes, | it is.)

#### CHAPTER 5 (§§ 22-27)

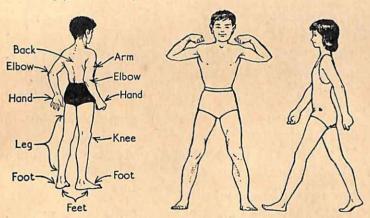
### (John)'s, His, Her

§ 22. The possessives my and your were presented in Chapter 1 (§§ 5-8). They have been used in later chapters, and should be well established now. In this chapter procedures for presenting 's, his, and her are described and illustrated.

The noun name is useful here. The request 'Please answer your

names' (for calling the roll) may be taught and used.

The suggestion was made in § 1 that English names should be used for your pupils. If this is done, choose the names from the three groups (at the end of this book) so that the three sounds of the possessive ending ('s) are included. Your pupils have become familiar with these three sounds in plural nouns (as in hats /hats/, bags /bagz/, and boxes /'boksiz/).



Two other useful nouns are boy and girl. Wall pictures of children, like those on this page, will be useful. Because the boys and the girl are wearing only simple garments for swimming, it is possible to teach arm, leg, foot (and, if time allows, back, knee,

elbow) without difficulty. There will be no confusion between arm and sleeve, foot and shoe, foot and leg, arm and hand.

In the specimens that follow, questions are used. If you decided to postpone the presentation of these (as set out in §§ 15-21), use only the statement forms.

§ 23. Start with a short and quick revision of my and your.

This is my \desk (my \book, etc.).

What's \your name? Your name is \Paul. That's \your desk (\your book, etc.).

Then call a pupil to the front of the class. Stand behind the pupil and talk to the class while pointing to him, touching his head, arms, etc.

This is John. This is John's head. This is John's left hand. This is John's right hand.

Call other pupils to the front and make similar statements, with other names.

This is Paul. This is Paul's pen. This is Paul's pencil, etc.

This is \Tom. This is Tom's \nose. This is Tom's \face, etc.

Ask alternative questions:

Is this John's pen or Paul's pen? Is this John's book or John's book? etc.

Next repeat the series using his.

This is John. This is his head (his face, his left hand, his right hand, his nose, etc.).

This is Paul. This is his pen (his pencil, etc.).

And, soon afterwards, 'My name's . . .'.

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Take Paul's pen (or pencil or book), hold it up, and address Paul.

Is this my pen or your pen?

Paul answers:

(It's \my pen.)

Then, still holding up Paul's pen, turn to the class and ask:

Is this my pen | or Paul's pen?

Answer the question yourself:

It's \Paul's pen.

Repeat the series with other articles belonging to other pupils. Note that although 'It's Paul's (John's, Mary's, etc.)' is a possible answer, it is better, for the present, to complete the answer. 'Paul's' alone is better postponed until mine, yours, his, and hers are presented.

Repeat the series, but this time ask for answers in chorus. Put your questions first to a pupil who is standing in front of the class, and then turn to the class, repeat the question, and ask for an answer in chorus.

Tom, | is this my pen | or Paul's pen?

Tom answers:

(It's \Paul's pen.)

To the class:

Is this my pen or Paul's pen?

The class answers in chorus:

(It's Paul's pen.)1

Now use his instead of Paul's, Tom's, etc. The pupil whose pen,

Listen carefully, in chorus answers, for the common mistake: It's Paul pen instead of It's Paul's pen, etc.

etc., is being asked about stands in front of the class. The teacher points to the pupil, but faces and addresses one of the pupils in

Is this my pen or his pen? Is this your book | or his book?

See that the pupil who answers also points to the owner of the article, but addresses his answer to you.

§ 24. Next use the wall picture of the boy with the names of parts of the body printed on it. Use a pointer or stick as you speak.

Look at this picture. This is a boy. His name is Harry. This is his head (his hose, etc.). This is his right hand. This is his left hand. What's this? This is his back. Paul, come here. This is your

Go round the class and make the statements:

This is your back. That is John's back, etc.

Look at the picture again.2 This is Harry's right Jarm. This is his Jeft arm. This is his right Jeg. This is his \left leg. These are his \feet. This is his right foot. This is his left foot.3

Put questions to the class about the picture.

Is this Harry's Jright arm | or his \left arm? Is this his right foot | or his left foot? etc.

Call upon pupils to stand by the picture and ask questions to be answered by their class-mates.

<sup>2</sup> The word again will probably be clear without comment, but give the mother-tongue equivalent if necessary. Say /ə'gen/, not /ə'gein/.

3 Give several repetitions of the irregular foot/feet.

The word picture will be understood from the situation. You are also using this as an adjective for the first time, but there is no need for comment or explanation. The use of this/these, that/those as adjectives is dealt

§ 25. Continue with the wall picture of the girl.1

Look at this picture. This is a girl. Her name is Anne. This is her thead. These are her tarms. This is her tright arm. This is her test arm. These are her test. This is her tright foot, etc.

Continue with question and answer drills, as set out in § 24. Later use the picture of the boy in which the names of parts of the body are not printed.

§ 26. Your pupils have now identified the words my, your, his, her, and proper names with the ending 's. But they may still fail to produce these new words correctly and automatically in all situations. David may say, when holding up his own book, 'This is my book'. He may say, pointing to your book held by you, 'That's your book'. But if David is asked to hold up Paul's book and speak to you, David may still hesitate before saying, 'This is his book'. Patience will be necessary before pupils make correct statements and give correct answers, without hesitation, in all kinds of situations.

There may not be enough time for further drills, but it will be useful to give an occasional five minutes to them. Suggestions for such drills follow.

§ 27. Avoid, for these drills, the use of objects that are not easily recognized as belonging to an individual. Pens, pencils, and textbooks used in class are very much alike. When a pen has been handed round three or four times and quickly passed on from pupil to pupil, it is not easy to label it as my (your, his, her, David's, etc.) pen. Wall pictures are better. Personal names are better still, because these are personal in a very real sense.

Write on the blackboard several names—your own, and names of three or four pupils. In addition, write the names of three or four children shown on wall pictures (girls' names in a class of boys, boys' names in a class of girls).

Call one of the pupils to the blackboard, point to a name (as you say 'This'), then to the owner of the name (as you say my, your,

<sup>1</sup> Or use an unclothed doll instead of the picture.

his, or her); and make statements. Address the statements to the pupil at your side.

This is your name (my name, this name, ther name).

After several repetitions, require the pupil at the blackboard to make the statements. Call upon other pupils to do the same, adding to or varying the list of names on the blackboard. See that when a pupil reads a name, he first points to the name, then, with my, your, his, her, points to the owner of the name. See that the speaker addresses his statement correctly: with your to the owner of the name; with my, his, or her, not to the owner of the name, but either to the teacher or to the class as a whole.

Further practice may be given in the question forms.

Is John a Joy's name | or a girl's name? Is David a boy's name, | Jtoo? Is JAnne a boy's name? (\No, | it \isn't. It's a \girl's name, etc.)

You may also use questions with 'What'.

-What's \my name? -What's \your name? -What's This name?

For the present avoid the use of such forms as boys' and girls'. Do not ask, for example: 'Are John and David boys' names or girls' names?' Boy's and boys' are identical in speech. The form boys' can be dealt with more satisfactorily when it first occurs in a printed text.2

In the answers use 'name's', not 'name is'; e.g. 'Your name's David'. If, however, there are examples of boy's or girl's, it is better to avoid 'name's'. Say 'That boy's name is Tom', not 'That

Note the rising tone on too here.

#### CHAPTER 6 (§§ 28-34)

He (She) is (not) ... Is he (she) ...?

You are (not) ... Are you ...?

I am (not) ... Am I ...?

§ 28. Some syllabuses suggest that he and she may be presented in sequences of this kind.

This is Robert. He is a boy. That is Susan. She is a girl.

It is a sound principle in language teaching to present all new material, wherever possible, in sentences that are natural. Classroom English cannot always be avoided. We may make, for purposes of teaching vocabulary, such statements as 'That's the ceiling'. But to say 'This is Robert. He is a boy' is an unnecessary specimen of class-room English. The first of the two statements itself conveys the information that you give in the second. It is true that pupils may not know whether Robert and Susan are boys' names or girls' names. In such cases the statements, 'Susan is a girl's name', 'Robert is a boy's name', would be natural. In this chapter a number of adjectives of nationality, and the adjectives tall/short and fat/thin will be introduced. These make it possible to use, with pictures, such natural sequences as:

Look at this boy. \_His name's Robert. He's an English boy.

Look at this \girl. \_Her name's \Susan.2 \_She's a \tall girl.

The new words man, woman, child, teacher, and pupil are also used.

In the specimens that follow questions are used freely. If you

1 As in § 24.

2 As in § 25.

decided to postpone the question forms presented in §§ 15-21, you will, of course, use only the statement forms.

§ 29. Use wall pictures for the first presentations of he and she. Simple blackboard sketches may be used if wall pictures are not available, but large wall pictures will be more satisfactory, especially if these can suggest nationality (e.g. by showing an American boy in a cowboy outfit, a Japanese girl in kimono). 1

Look at this picture. This is a girl. Her name's Susan. She's an English girl.

Look at this picture. This is a girl, | too. Her name's Kamala. She's an Indian girl.

Look at this picture. This is a girl, | too. Her

name's Alice. She's an American girl.

Give each sequence several times. Give, if necessary, the mother-tongue equivalent for English, Indian, and American.2

Start with 'She is' /si: iz/, but use 'She's' /si:z/ after five or six

examples of 'She is'.

Call upon pupils to go to the pictures and make statements. Next ask questions and answer them yourself.

Is this a Jgirl? Yes, | it3 is. What's her name? It's \Susan. Is she an \English girl | or an A\merican girl? She's an English girl.

Is Jthis a girl, | Jtoo? Yes, | it is. What's her name? It's Kamala. Is Kamala an English girl?

No, | she isn't. She's an Indian girl.

What's this girl's name? It's Alice. Is Alice a ()...)4 girl or an American girl? She's an American girl.

Another possibility is to have the appropriate national flag (e.g. the Union Jack, the Stars and Stripes) with the picture.

4 Use the adjective for the nationality of your own pupils.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Or whatever other adjectives of nationality you may prefer to use. 3 Use it, not she, because the reference is to the picture on the wall-

Repeat the questions, and require answers from the class. Then tell one of the pupils to stand by the picture and ask the questions, with answers from his class-mates.

Finally, make a series of statements to revise previously taught vocabulary for parts of the body.

This is \Susan. She's an \English girl. This is her \head (her \nose, etc.). These are her \arms (her \legs, etc.). This is her \right arm. This is her \left arm, etc.

Call upon pupils to make similar sequences.

§ 30. Make similar statements using pictures of boys. The same adjectives may be used, or new ones may be presented (e.g. African, Chinese, Burmese). Call upon pupils to repeat the sequences, and continue with questions and answers (as for she).

Use 'He is' /hi: iz/ at first, but change to 'He's' /hi:z/ after the

first half-dozen or so examples.

§ 31. Make similar statements with pictures of men and women. Use family names this time (e.g. from the list at the end of this book), and the titles Mr., Mrs., and Miss. Explain the use of these

—in the mother tongue—if necessary.

You may again use English and American. But as this would require the use of the compound Englishman (weak form /mən/), it may be better not to do so. It will add variety if, with man and woman, you introduce tall/short and fat/thin. Do not change the pattern, however. Say 'He's a tall man', not 'He's tall', because this pattern is reinforcing your previous teaching of the indefinite article.

Use the same procedures.

Look at this picture. This is a man. His name is Mr. Green.

Look at this picture. This is a man, | too. His name is Mr. Hill.

Mr. Green is a stall man. Mr. Hill is a short man, etc.

Pupils may then be called on to make the statements. Questions (asked by the teacher) follow. Finally pupils in turn ask the questions, with their fellow-pupils answering them.

There is no reason why you should not, after examples of 'Mr. Green is . . .', use 'Mr. Green's . . .'. By now your pupils have heard numerous examples of the weak forms of is (/z/ and /s/).

§ 32. You (singular only) is the next pronoun to be presented.

As your is already known, it will be easier than I.

Call several pupils (the tallest and the shortest in the class) to the front.2 (The imperative 'Come here, please' may be used here, with translation if necessary.) Make statements:

Your name's Paul. You're a tall boy. Your name's John. You're a short boy. What's your name? (My name's Jack.) You're a short boy, too. What's Tyour name? (It's Charles.) You're a stall boy, etc.

Call upon another pupil to come out to the front and make the statements, pointing to Paul, John, Jack, and Charles as he does 50.

Repeat the statements using he's, this time pointing to the boys,

but addressing the class.

This is Paul. He's a tall boy. This is John. He's a Ishort boy, etc.

Then ask questions with he. (You cannot ask questions with you yet, because I has not yet been taught.)

Is Paul a stall boy | or a short boy? (He's a stall boy.) Is John a tall boy, | Jtoo? (No, | he isn't. He's a short boy, etc.)

§ 33. Now present I am. Do not use the strong form /am/ in statements. Use first the form /am/ and later the form /m/: I'm

You may hear 'Mr. Green's is a tall man'. If you do, give numerous repetitions of '/misto 'gri:nzo 'to:l 'man/' and require pupils to repeat after you.

2 Or use pictures or blackboard sketches if you think that short boys

will be touchy about being so described.

/aim/. The strong form will be used in questions, and in short

answers to questions.

'I am' ('I'm') and 'You are' ('You're') may be presented together. The words teacher and pupil are useful here. It is better to make such statements as 'I'm a teacher' than 'I'm a man (or a woman)', and 'You're a pupil' than 'You're a boy (or a girl)'.

Start with 'You are', already known, and then present 'I am'. Walk round the class. Stop at a desk and address the pupil:

You're a pupil. You're my pupil.

Then pointing to yourself, and addressing the class, say:

I am /ai əm/ a \teacher. I'm /aim/ \your teacher.

Repeat several times, then pass on to other desks and address the pupils in turn.

You're a pupil. You're a pupil, | \too. You're a pupil, etc.

Then repeat the statement with 'I'm'.

If the material in Chapter 4 has been presented, pupils will be familiar with aren't (in short answers such as 'No, they aren't'). So 'you aren't . . .' will not be a problem. But 'I'm not' will need numerous repetitions before pupils are called upon to use it. Ask and answer questions yourself, starting with 'are you . . .?' Address pupils one at a time.

Paul, | are you a pupil? Yes, | you're a pupil. Are you a teacher? No, | you're not a teacher. David, | are you a teacher? No, | you're not a teacher. You're a pupil.

Am fI a pupil? fNo, | I'm fnot a pupil. I'm a fteacher. Mr. fXI is a teacher, | ftoo. Mr. fXI is a teacher, | ftoo.

Note that in the specimens here 'you're not' is given instead of

Give names of teachers of other subjects.

'you aren't'. This makes it simpler for pupils to link it with 'I'm not'. (Am and not are contracted to a'n't1 /a:nt/ in the interrogative, but a'n't is not used in statements.) Do not use A'n't I at present.

Names of other teachers (X, Y, and Z) are given so that the use of the indefinite article ('a teacher') is justified. Without these references (to X, Y, and Z) the definite article would be more

natural.

It is now possible to ask questions and require answers. Put the question to pupils for individual, not chorus, answers.

Am I your /teacher? (\Yes, | you're my \teacher.) Are you my pupil? (Yes, | I'm your pupil.) Am I a teacher | or a pupil? (You're a teacher.) -Are you a teacher? (No, | I'm not a teacher. I'm a \pupil.)

Vary the questions by requiring he in the answers.

Is David a /teacher? (\No, | he \isn't a teacher. He's a pupil.) Is Mr. JX a teacher? (Yes, | he's a \teacher.)

"Is Mr. JY a teacher? (\Yes, | Mr. \Y is a teacher, | Ttoo.)

Give examples of questions with 'What'. Answer them yourself.

What am I? I'm a \teacher. Am I your teacher? Yes, | I'm your teacher. What's David? He's a pupil.

Is he my pupil? Yes, | he's my pupil. What's

Mr. Z? He's a teacher, etc.

Then ask similar questions to be answered by pupils, and finally require pupils to ask and answer questions.

Sometimes written and printed (in the interrogative form only) as aren't (I).

§ 34

§ 34. When the material in §§ 28-33 has been well learnt, pupils may be asked to make a series of statements to revise most of the structures presented so far. Here are specimens.

My name is (\lambda...). I'm a \pupil. I'm \your pupil. You're my \teacher. This is my \desk. These are my \arms. This is my \right arm. This is my \left arm, etc.

I am a Burmese boy. My name is (1...). Your name is (1...). You're my teacher. I'm your pupil. That's (1...). He's a Burmese boy, | too. You're his teacher. He's your pupil.

If, by this time, pupils are able to read and write, such sequences may be written on the blackboard. If the words to be uttered with a falling tone are underlined, or if the arrows are used, pupils will be helped to read with suitable intonation. They may also be required to write out simple sequences of this sort, either in class or at home. If the mother tongue is not written in the Latin alphabet, this practice will give pupils the opportunity of learning how to transliterate their own names, and the word for their own nationality. Give any help that may be needed, using the accepted system of romanization.

Note. The pronouns we, you (plural), and they (plural for he and she) are dealt with later, after adverbial phrases of place have been presented.

## The Definite Article This, These, That, Those (Adjj.) Adverbial Phrases of Place Adjectives of Size, Colour, and Length Where?

§ 35. You may start by using the definite article with names of objects of which there is, in the class-room, only one. Or you may prefer to start with sun, moon, and sky, as suggested below.

Point in turn to the walls and windows, and make statements using the indefinite article. Then point to the floor and ceiling, making statements using the definite article. If there is a clock in the class-room, use this word. Other nouns that may be used are introduced in the material that follows. Use the weak form of the |ða/.

If you have not presented 'Yes' or 'No' questions, ignore the specimens that follow. You may prefer to use only questions with 'What' and 'Where', or perhaps no questions at all.

That's a wall. That's a wall, | too. That's a wall, | \too. \That's a wall, | \too.

That's the ceiling. That's the floor.

-What's that? It's the ceiling. -What's that? It's the \floor.

If you use questions, put each question to half a dozen pupils in rapid succession.

What's that? (It's a wall.)

What's \that? (It's the \floor.)

What's that? (It's the ceiling.)

"What's \that? (It's the \clock.)

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If in the class-room there are two or more windows, but only one door, repeat the series, using 'a window' and 'the door'.

If in the class-room there are two or more pictures or maps on the walls, and only one blackboard, repeat the series using 'a pic-

ture', 'a map', and 'the blackboard'.

Then use *pupil* and *teacher* in a similar way. You have already used 'your teacher' in the statement 'I'm your teacher', and perhaps 'a teacher' (in such statements as 'Mr. X is a teacher'). You may, at this point, find it useful to explain (in the mother tongue) this use of the definite article. You say 'the ceiling' and 'the floor' because there is, in the class-room, only one ceiling, only one floor. You say 'I'm the teacher' because there is only one teacher, yourself, in the class-room.

Peter, | you're a pupil. Harry, | you're a pupil, | too. Donald, | you're a pupil, | too. Am / I a pupil? No, | I'm \not. I'm the \teacher. I'm the \teacher.

(Note that you are at the same time revising the use of I am/am I, I'm not, etc.)

Again ask questions, and again put each question to five or six pupils in rapid succession.

What's that? (It's a picture, a map, the floor, the blackboard, a window, etc.)

Are you a pupil? (Yes, | I am.) What's Peter? (He's a pupil, too.) What am I? (You're the teacher.)

A wall picture (or simple blackboard sketch) showing the moon and a number of stars may be used.

This is a \star. \This is a star, | \too. \This is a star, | \too. These are \stars.

It's the moon. This is the moon.

A picture or blackboard sketch of the sun in the sky may also be used. (There is no need for anything else in the picture except perhaps the horizon, between sea and sky, or a line of hills.)

What's this? It's the sun. What's this? It's the sky.

It is unnecessary to use all these examples if the number of new words (moon, sun, sky) is likely to be a burden on your pupils. If you have no need to hurry on, however, these examples will help to make clear this use of the definite article.

§ 36. The demonstrative pronouns this, these, that, those are already known. It is a simple matter to teach and learn them as adjectives. (You may have used this already, in 'Look at this picture'. See § 24, footnote 1.)

The new use can be taught together with a few simple adverb phrases of place (with on and near). Use only nouns that are already known, so that full attention can be given to the pre-

positions.

Be careful to avoid using the definite article except with nouns that are names of objects of which there is only one in the classroom. Use 'the blackboard', 'the table' (if there is only one), but 'my pocket', 'your desk', etc.

Look at this. It's a book. This book is on my desk.

Look at this. This is a book, | too. This book is on my desk, | too.

Look at this. This is a book, | too. This book is on my desk, | too.

These books are on my desk.

Repeat the series using other nouns (e.g. pen, pencil, box, bag). Then require a pupil to come to your desk (or the table) and make a similar series of statements. He will use your instead of my if there is a desk, or the table if this is what you have.

Or the table, if there is only one in the class-room.

Next give examples of that and those. Take the opportunity of revising the use of the definite article used with unique objects by bringing in floor and blackboard (and door if there is only one door). Give the equivalent in the mother tongue for near.

Look at this book. It's on my desk (or on the table). Look at that book. It's on the floor, | near the blackboard (or near the door).

Look at these pens. They're on my desk (or on the table). Look at those boxes. They're on the floor, near the blackboard.

Repeat each of the series several times. Ask questions for 'Yes' or 'No' and questions with or:

Is this book on the <code>jdesk?</code> Are those -boxes on the <code>jfloor?</code> Are they on your <code>jdesk?</code> Is that -book on the <code>jfloor</code> or on your <code>jdesk?</code> Are those -boxes near the <code>jblackboard</code> or near your <code>jdesk?</code> etc.

The adverbs here and there can be presented. Here must be associated with this/these and there with that/those.

Look at this book. It's here, on my desk. Look at those bags. They're there, on the floor.

Note that only two prepositions have been used here: on and near. In and under can be taught more easily with the Present Progressive Tense: 'I'm putting the book in the box (under the box, etc.).'

§ 37. For size large and small are preferable to big and little. Large and big are almost synonymous, but small and little are not. Little is often emotive (like tiny), so it is better to postpone its presentation until, in the reading-texts, there are examples of little preceded by another adjective, as in 'a pretty little garden', 'a charming little house', 'good little girls', and 'naughty little boys'.

For length, short and long are needed, and for colours red, yellow, brown, green, and blue. Black and white may also be taught.

As the number of new words is fairly large, no new structures should be presented. Structures already known will be practised. Coloured chalks can be used for blackboard work.

The new adjectives will be used both attributively (as in 'a red pencil') and predicatively (as in 'This pencil is red').

Look at this pencil. It's pred. It's a pred pencil. Look at this pencil. This pencil's red, too. Look at Ithis pencil. Is Jthis pencil red? No, | it Iisn't. This pencil's yellow. This is a yellow pencil.

Repeat the series with three books, two of them with yellow (or red) covers and one with a red (or yellow) cover. Then ask questions and answer them yourself.

Is this pencil red? Yes, it is. Is this pencil red, 1 Jtoo? Yes, | it is. Is Jthis pencil red? No, | it

Is this a fred pencil | or a yellow pencil? Is this a fred book | or a yellow book? It's a yellow book. Is this book yellow | or red? It's red.

Next ask questions for the pupils to answer. Require pupils in turn to come to the front of the class and make the statements you have made. Require pupils to ask questions for other pupils to

Repeat the series using the plural 'These are yellow pencils' ('These pencils are yellow', etc.).

Next make a series of similar statements about lines on the blackboard, drawn in different colours.<sup>2</sup> The word *line* is new, so teach it first. Make statements as you draw the lines.

I Violet is a word of comparatively low frequency, and may be postponed. Orange and purple are possible extras, if you need more names of

lours.

The lines should not all be straight, or pupils may think that line

Draw a mixture of straight, curved, and or <sup>2</sup> The lines should not an extra of straight, curved, and crooked means 'straight line'. Draw a mixture of straight, curved, and crooked means straight line. and contains, curved, and collines, some from side to side, others up and down, slanting, etc.



Look at the blackboard. What's this? It's a line. This is a line, \too. This is a line, \too. These are lines.

(Be careful, as always, not to use any structure not yet known. Do not say here, for example: 'There are three lines on the blackboard.')

This line is \blue. This line is \white. This is \red, etc.

Look at this blue line. It's long. Look at this white line. This white line's long, \too. Look at this \red line. Is this \red line long? \No, | it \isn't. It's \short.

(Note again the use of 'this blue line', not 'the blue line'. You should point to the lines as you speak. The definite article has been used so far only for unique objects, and you may have more than one blue line on the blackboard.)

Repeat this series using the plural ('These lines are . . .').

Repeat the procedures set out above (for pencils and books) so that your pupils talk and ask about the lines on the blackboard.

For large and small use whatever articles you may have that are

convenient, for example, books, boxes, bags.

Use the same procedures. You will probably have a book with a black cover, or a brown bag (e.g. a handbag), so black and brown can be introduced easily.

This black book is small. This green book is large. Are these -black books flarge | or \small?

In this last series you may mix examples of singular and plural —as an experiment. If the mixing causes confusion, repeat and separate.

§ 38. The procedure set out below presents the use of the definite article with nouns that are names of objects of which only one specimen is seen. You will take care that there is, on your desk, only one green book, only one black book, etc. The preposition in is used ('in my hand'), and the interrogative ad-

This is a book, too. This book is Igreen. This book is Iblack.

The Jgreen book i | is in my right hand. The Jblack book | is in my \left hand.

Hold up the books clearly in turn as you make the statements. Repeat the series several times. You may use different objects for some of the repetitions (e.g. two differently coloured pencils, or

Next call pupils in turn to the front of the class and require them to make similar series of statements about various pairs. Then ask

Is the -green book in my fleft hand? Is the black book in my left hand? Is the -large book in my /left

When such questions are answered promptly and correctly, use where. Ask and answer questions yourself. Change the position of whatever is being referred to, and use now.

-Where's the -green \book? It's in my left \hand. -Where is it \now? It's in my \right hand. Where is it \now? It's on my \desk. Where is it \now? It's on Peter's desk. Where is it now? It's on John's

Note where 's /weəz/ when the subject is a noun, and where is /weəriz/ when the subject is it.

Repeat with other articles, varying the order of the places in which the articles are put. Then ask questions. Require two or three pupils to come to the front of the class and ask questions, to

Note the rising tone here—an attention caller. There is a slight pause 1 Note the rising tone need a sugar pause after book. The definite article is used here because of the adjective green.

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Next repeat the procedures with plural nouns. Place a number of articles on your own desk, and others on the desk of one of the pupils.

These are books. Those are books, too. Those books are red. These books are green.

The green books are on my desk. The red books are on Peter's desk.

Where are the \green books? They're \here, | on \my desk. Where are the \red books? They're \there, | on \Peter's desk.

Call upon pupils to make similar statements and ask similar questions. Supply the pupils who take part with suitable objects (long and short pencils, or pencils of different colours, etc.) before they start.

Encourage pupils to take an increasingly larger share in these activities as they gain confidence. They may now use quite long sequences. You may give them a model.

I'm your \teacher. My name is (\cdot\)...). This is a \text{book. It's \text{my book. It's \text{red. This is a \text{pencil.}} It's \text{green. \text{This is a pencil,} \text{\text{too. It's \text{yellow pencil}} \text{is on my \text{desk. That's a \text{book. It's \text{large.} \text{That's a book,} \text{ \text{large.} \text{That's a book,} \text{ \text{large.} \text{That's a book,} \text{ \text{large.} \text{ \text{That's a book.} \text{ \text{It's \text{large.} \text{ \text{That's a book is on \text{ \text{Mary's desk.} \text{ \text{This is \text{my book.} \text{ \text{This is \text{ \text{Mary's book.} \text{ \text{That's \text{ \text{Mary's book.} \text{ \text{Where's \text{ \text{Mary's book.} \text{ \text{Mary's book.} \text{ \text{That's \text{\text{That's \text{\text{That's \text{\text{Mary's \text{Anne's book.} \text{ \text{That's \text{\text{Mary's \text{Large.} \text{\text{Where's \text{\text{Anne's book.} \text{ \text{It's \text{\text{here.}} \text{ \text{Where's \text{\text{Anne's book.} \text{ \text{It's \text{\text{There.}} \text{\text{Where's \text{\text{Anne's book.} \text{ \text{It's \text{\text{There.}} \text{\text{Where's \text{\text{Anne's book.} \text{ \text{It's \text{\text{There.}} \text{\text{Where's \text{\text{Anne's book.} \text{\text{It's \text{\text{There.}} \text{\text{Yhere.}} \text{\text{Yhere.}} \text{\text{Yhere.} \text{\text{Yhere.} \text{\text{Yhere.}} \text{\text{Yhere.}}

All the words and structures in this long sequence have been practised. This sequence serves for consolidation. If you arrange that the articles to be referred to are in various places (e.g. on the speaker's desk and on the desks of other pupils), pupils should be able to produce similar sequences. You may help by pointing from time to time to the articles about which statements are to be made.

# CHAPTER 8 (§§ 39-45)

## The Alphabet Numbers and Fractions Telling the Time

Notes. The material in this chapter may be presented at any time that is convenient. Bear in mind, however, that the use of the definite article, as presented in § 38, is required. The material may be spread out over many teaching periods, not more than fifteen minutes at a time. Questions are included in the specimens, but should be used only if the question forms (as set out in §§ 15-21)

§ 39. Perhaps the language of your pupils is not written with the Latin alphabet. In this case your pupils will have to learn to recognize the letters and to write them. They must learn the

If they are already familiar with the Latin alphabet, they will still have to learn how to pronounce the English names of the

For pupils to whom the Latin alphabet is something quite new, cards with single letters, or groups of letters, will be useful. Now that your pupils have learnt the structures "This is a ..., "These are . . .', and the use of the definite article, you may devote ten to fifteen minutes of each period to teaching the letters and their names. If cards are not available, the blackboard can

Start with a number of letters (not forming words). Use small letters first. Space the letters widely. Letters that do not occur in the words your pupils know need not be taught.

Look at these. These are letters. They're letters. This is a letter. This is a letter. This is a letter.

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This is the letter  $\mathcal{L}(o)$ . This is the letter  $\mathcal{L}(e)$ . This is the letter \(m), etc.1

The number of letters to be presented together will depend, of course, upon whether the alphabet is something quite new, or whether only new ways of naming the letters are to be taught.

Ask and answer questions:

Is this the letter f(o)? Yes, | it is. What's this? It's the letter (m). What's this? It's the letter (e). Is this the letter  $\mathcal{I}(b)$  or the letter  $\mathcal{I}(d)$ ? etc.

Require pupils to answer questions that you ask, and then require pupils to come to the front and ask questions to be answered by other pupils. Chorus work may follow. Point to a letter on the blackboard and require the class to say, in chorus, its name.

Capital letters may then be presented. Use a mixture of small

and capital letters.

What are these? They're letters. Look at this. This is a small letter. Look at this. This is a small letter, | \too. Is this a small letter? \No, | it \isn't. It's a capital letter. This is a capital letter, \ \too.

This is the letter (m). It's a small (m). This is the letter (m), \tag{\tau}too. This is a \tag{\tapital} (m). What's \tapithis? It's a small (b). What's this? It's a capital (e), etc.

Again require pupils to answer questions that you ask, and to come to the front of the class and ask questions to be answered by other pupils.

It is useful to have cards with a small letter on one side and the capital on the other. This can be shown, and then turned round. If such cards are not available, pairs of letters, small and capital, may be written on the blackboard.

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Note that you are presenting a new structure here: 'the letter o', and, later, 'the word pen'.

What's  $\$  It's a  $\$  small  $\$  (n). What's  $\$  this? It's a  $\$  capital (n). Is this a  $\$  small (l) or a  $\$  capital (l)? etc.

When the names of the letters are all known, you may continue with words. Use words that are known, and also such proper nouns as *English*, *London*, *America*, and boys' and girls' names.

Start with a number of words written on the blackboard—not making a sentence. They may be written in columns. For example:

box book this that an desk Tom	my your his her the London Mary	pen pencil bag letter girl English Paul	small large capital a teacher England
	y	Paul	Helen

Point to the whole group of words and say:

These are \words. They're \English words.

Then point to separate words. Or use cards on which one word only is written.

This is a word. This is a word, | \tag{too.} This is a word. This is the word  $\begin{tabular}{l} box. \\ \hline This is the word <math>\begin{tabular}{l} box. \\ \hline This is the word <math>\begin{tabular}{l} bag, etc. \\ \hline \end{tabular}$ 

Your primary aim here is to teach word, not to teach reading. But if you use words of which the spelling is phonetic (such as bag, pen, left, desk), pupils will be able to answer the question: 'What's

If the language of your pupils is not written with the Latin alphabet, you may, at this stage, find it useful to spend five minutes occasionally in showing your pupils how to write, with the Latin alphabet, certain proper names. You may, for example, write

place names, family names, and given names. Pupils will find it interesting to see their own names, the name of their school, names of towns, and names of persons well known to them (national leaders, writers, etc.) in the Latin alphabet.

§ 40. The numbers 1 to 12, with 20 and 25 are needed for telling the time. So are the words quarter and half. It would be monotonous to devote more than ten minutes at a time to teaching and learning the numbers. So give about ten minutes in each teaching period to this during the next week or so. Use the procedures that were suggested in § 39 for the alphabet. Write a group of numbers on the blackboard. Make statements, ask and answer

Look at these. What are they? Are they fletters? No, they're not. These are numbers. This is a number. This is a number.2 This is a number.

This is Jone. This is \two, etc.

Is this Jone? Yes, it is. What's this? It's five. Is this Jthree | or \four? etc.

Require pupils to come to the blackboard and make statements about the numbers, and ask questions to be answered by other

pupils.

When the numbers 1 to 12 are known, you may ask the class to count from 1 to 12 in chorus.3 This is useful for teaching rhythm. By giving a steady beat (e.g. tapping on your desk with a ruler), you can get pupils to utter each number, irrespective of the number of syllables, in the same period of time (say, half a second). Saying the numbers while patting a bouncing ball is another effective procedure. Eleven, with three syllables, should occupy no more time than one, two, three, etc.

2 It is probably better not to add too here. Too and two may be con-

fusing.

The numbers should be well spaced out so that when you point to them one at a time, there is no confusion.

<sup>3</sup> The command may be given in the mother tongue.

Half and quarter can be presented by writing on the blackboard:

$$5 = \frac{1}{2} \times 10$$
  $10 = \frac{1}{2} \times 20$   $3 = \frac{1}{2} \times 6$   $4 = \frac{1}{2} \times 8$  making the statements:

Five is -half of ten.

Ten is -half of twenty, etc.

Of is new here. Use the weak form /əv/. Teach quarter in the same way.

$$2 = \frac{1}{4} \times 8$$
  $3 = \frac{1}{4} \times 12$   $5 = \frac{1}{4} \times 20$   
Two is a -quarter of reight, etc.

Ask questions:

What's -half of \ten?

What's a -quarter of eight? etc.

If the numbers are not needed for teaching pupils how to tell the time, their presentation may be postponed until after there is or have is taught. It will then be possible to present the numbers in such statements as, 'There are three books on the desk', or 'I

The numbers 13 to 19 may be written on the blackboard and taught now. Put the stress on the second syllable: fifteen. Do not ask pupils to count from 13 to 19. Counting would require the stress on the first syllable: Ithirteen, Ifourteen, Ififteen, etc., and this might cause confusion with thirty, forty, fifty, etc.

Further practice in the use of the numbers will be needed. As the structure 'There is (are)' has not yet been presented, practice must not be given by pointing to collections of objects and asking questions such as 'How many books are there on the table?'

Simple problems in addition and subtraction may be used. These require the words and and from.

Write the additions and subtractions on the blackboard, using only the numbers so far learnt.

$$2+3=5$$
 $6-2=4$ 
 $4+3=7$ 
 $13-7=6$ 
 $8+9=17$ 
 $15-6=9$ 

Make the statements:

Two and three are \five. Four and three are \seven. Eight and nine are seven teen. Two from six is four. Seven from thirteen is six. Six from fifteen is nine.

Write other additions and subtractions on the blackboard and require pupils to make the statements.1

§ 41. It is now possible to teach pupils to tell the time in English. If you do so at this stage, however, you should avoid the use of the words minute and hour. The new words time, o'clock, past, and to will be needed. If you start by making statements about a clock you will also need the words its and at.2 When referring to the hands of the clock, you may use either long/short or large/ small. (See § 37 for reasons why large/small are to be preferred to big/little.)

The use of at for position needs demonstration. (Contrast near, § 36.) It may help if you tell your pupils that at refers to a position visualized as a point. As the only verbs so far presented are am, is, and are, restrict your statements. Say 'I'm at the door (window,

etc.)', not 'I'm standing at the door (window, etc.)'.

Use a model clock, either a toy or a cardboard model. It should be large enough for the figures and hands to be seen clearly from all parts of the class-room. If a model clock is not available, blackboard sketches can, of course, be used.

Start by presenting at and its without reference to the clock and then make statements using these words with reference to the clock.

What's this? It's my desk. I'm at my desk. Where am I now? I'm at the door. Where am I now? I'm at the blackboard. Where am I now? I'm at my \desk again.

Next present its, after revising my and the nouns face and hands.

<sup>1</sup> Call attention, if necessary, to the use of are in 'four and three are seven' etc. and of is in 'two from six is four' etc.

<sup>2</sup> You have used at for direction (in 'Look at . . .'), but you will now use

it for position.

Use either wall pictures or blackboard sketches of a cat, a dog, and

What's this? It's my face. What are these? They're my hands.

Peter, | come there, please. What are these? These are your hands. What are these? These are my hands.

Look at this picture. This is a dog. This is its

face. This is its stail. These are its slegs.

Look at this picture. This is a thorse. What's Ithis? This is its Itail, etc., etc.

If there is time this material may be used for question and answer drills. The next step needs the model clock (or blackboard

Look at this. What is it? It's a clock. This is its \face. These are its \hands. This hand is \footnote{\infty}long | and this hand is \short.1

Look at these. What are they? They're numbers. This is one. This is two, etc.

-Where's the long hand? It's at twelve. Where's the short hand? It's at hthree. The time is

Repeat this series several times for the new words time and o'clock. Then repeat with other positions for the short hand (e.g.

Questions may now be put to the class.

-Where's the \long hand? (It's at \twelve.) -Where's the \short hand? (It's at \six.) What's the \time?

And was used in § 40 ('Two and two are four'). Here it is used to join two statements.

Note that the question here is: 'What's the time?' So far what has been used only as an interrogative pronoun. So 'What's the time?' is to be preferred now. 'What time is it?' may be taught later.

§ 42. Next present the preposition between, needed for 'half past'. If time allows, this word may be presented independently of telling the time, for example, by placing a red book between two brown books and making the statement:

The fred book | is be tween the brown books.

Other examples will easily be found. But if time is short there is no need for this procedure.

Place the long hand at six and the short hand between nine and

ten. Then ask questions, and answer them yourself.

Where's the long hand now? It's at six. Where's the short hand? Is it at nine? No, it isn't. Is it at ten? No, it isn't. Where is it? It's be tween nine and ten. What's the time? It's half-past nine.

Repeat the series with other positions for the short hand, so that between and half past are heard often enough. Questions may then be put to the class. For more rapid drills you may write on the blackboard in figures all the half hours (from 1.30 to 12.30), point to them, and ask the question 'What's the time?'

§ 43. Continue with 'a quarter past' and then present 'a quarter to'. Place the long hand at three and the short hand between six and seven. Ask questions and answer them yourself.

Where's the -long hand \now? It's at \three. Where's the \short hand? It's be tween -six and \seven. What's the \time? It's a \quarter -past \six.



Note that we usually say 'half past', but 'a quarter past'. Unless pupils ask about this point, do not discuss it.

Repeat the series with other positions for the short hand, then put questions to the class (using the model clock). If time allows, write in figures on the blackboard the times from 1.15 to 12.15, point to them, and ask the question, 'What's the time?'

Next put the long hand at nine and the short hand between

nine and ten. Ask and answer questions as before.



There's the long hand \now? It's at \nine. Where's the \short hand? It's be tween -nine and \ten. What's the \time? It's a quarter to \ten.

Repeat the series with other positions for the short hand, and use the blackboard, as before, for times between 12.45 and 11.45.

§ 44. Oral drills for the use of the prepositions at, between and on may be given now. (Five minutes in one teaching period should be the maximum.)

Use the model clock or blackboard sketches, and ask questions.

- (12.30) Where's the \long hand? (It's at \six.) Where's the \short hand? (It's be tween -twelve and \cdot) one.)
- (3.45) Where's the -long hand \now? (It's at \nine.) Where's the \short hand? (It's be tween -three and \four.)
- (12.00) Where's the short hand now? (It's at twelve.) Where's the long hand? (It's at twelve or It's on the short hand.)
- (6.30) Where's the long hand now? (It's at six.) Where's the short hand? (It's be tween -six and seven.)

I i.e. if, on your model clock, the long hand covers the short hand at twelve o'clock. If the short hand covers the long hand, change the questions to suit.

(6.45) Where's the long hand now? (It's at nine.) Where's the short hand? (It's be tween -six and seven.)

§ 45. Expressions of time in which five (ten, twenty, and twenty-five) to (past) occur may be taught later. Use the procedures set out in § 43 for 'a quarter to' and 'a quarter past'. You may give the word minutes if you wish, but as it is more usual to say 'ten past two' than to say 'ten minutes past two', there is no need for minutes at present.

When pupils are familiar with the material, keep it well revised. This can be done by occasionally asking pupils the question 'What's the time?' Later on, ability to tell the time in English

will be useful with the verb tenses.

#### CHAPTER 9 (§§ 46-47)

## We, You (pl.), They

Note. We is new. They has been presented as the plural of it but not as the plural of he and she. You has been used only as a singular. The question forms in this chapter are optional.

§ 46. You have already used the imperative 'Come here' (§ 32): Use it again now. Revise the adverbial phrases of place presented earlier (§ 36).

Stand near the door (or the blackboard, or your desk) and say:

Peter, | come there, please. John, | come there, please. Where am I? I'm near the door. Where are you, Peter? You're near the door, \ \tagtoo. -Where are \you, John? \You're near the door, | \too.

Next, standing between the two boys, and with your hands on their shoulders, say to them:

We are near the door. We're here, | near the door.

Repeat the last two statements several times. Use /wi: a:/ once or twice, but then use /wia/.

Ask questions and answer them yourself:

-Are we near the \textstart blackboard? \textstart No, | we \textstart aren't. (or No, | we're not.)2 Are we near the door? Yes, | we are. Are we near Martin? No, | we're not. Where are we? We're near the door.

Falling tone on you, and Peter on a low monotone after the slight pause. 2 See § 33.

Name a pupil who is a long way from the door.

Next ask these questions again and require the two boys who are with you to answer them. If answers are prompt and correct, call another pupil out to take your place, and require him to make the statements and ask the questions with which you began your demonstration, while you stand at a distance and listen. If there is hesitation or error, repeat the demonstration yourself. Require other groups of pupils to give the demonstration. Remember that as soon as new material has been presented and well learnt, your Pupils should have more and more speaking time and you yourself less speaking time.

§ 47. For you (plural), call out two groups of pupils (three or four in each group), one to the blackboard and the other to the door.

Arthur, | come there, please. John, | come there, please. Martin, come here, please. Where are we, John? (We're near the blackboard.)

Go from the blackboard to the door and call three more pupils to you and repeat the question:

Where \are we, David? (We're near the \door.)

Then, with your hands on the shoulders of the two pupils who are with you, near the door, say:

Yes, | we're there, | near the tdoor.

Then, pointing to the pupils near the blackboard, say:

You're \not near the door; | you're near the \blackboard.

Repeat several times and then require pupils in the two groups to make the statements:

We're near the \door (the \blackboard).

You may then leave your own group and stand in the middle of the room. Make statements and ask questions using those and they.

Look at those boys. Where are they? They're near the door. Look at those boys. Where are Ithey?2 They're near the Iblackboard.

Then pointing to the groups, put questions to pupils who are at their desks.

Where are those boys?

End this demonstration by using you with reference to the whole class.

I'm the teacher. You're pupils. What am I? I'm the teacher. What are you? You're pupils.

Next require answers in chorus from the class:

Am I the steacher? (Yes, | you are.)

-Are you pupils? (Yes, | we are.)

What am I? (You're the \teacher.)

What are \you? (We're \pupils.)

If, in the language of your pupils, the equivalent for they is the same for masculine and feminine gender, there will be no need to demonstrate the use of they for girls and women. If there are two equivalents, use wall pictures to demonstrate that they is used in English irrespective of gender. Simple statements will suffice.

These are \women. They're \tall women. These are \girls. They're \English girls, etc.

1 /wear la: dei?/

2 /weərə Jðei/

#### CHAPTER 10 (§§ 48-51)

#### The Present Progressive Tense (1) Two Patterns (1) $S \times v \times V \times D.O.$ (2) S × v × V ( × Adverbial Phrase)<sup>1</sup>

§ 48. There are good reasons for presenting the Present Progressive Tense ('I am writing') before the Simple Present Tense

('I write').

Your pupils are already familiar with the finite verbs am, is, and are. They are familiar with the use of not after these verbs for the formation of the negative, and with inversion of the finite verb and subject for the interrogative. It will not be difficult, therefore, for them to recognize and use the negative and interrogative forms of the new tense. They are not required to learn the complicated mechanisms with do/does and the infinitive, which make the Simple Present Tense a problem.

An even stronger reason is that the Present Progressive Tense can be presented through activities, so that the tense is associated directly with its use. We do not, when we describe an activity in progress, normally use the Simple Present Tense.2 The two simple tenses are, of course, essential for narrative, but until pupils reach the stage of being able to read a story, or a piece of descrip-

tive writing, the Present Progressive Tense is more useful.

There are, however, the Non-Conclusive Verbs, verbs such as know, understand, want and like, not normally used in the Progressive Tenses.3 Some of these are so common and useful that you may feel the need for them before the Simple Present Tense has been presented. If so, if for example you wish to say, 'You know the word chair', do not hesitate. But avoid the interrogative

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These are VP 1, 21, and 23 in A Guide to Patterns and Usage in English.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See ibid., § 42 (pp. 87-88). <sup>3</sup> See ibid., §§ 58-60 (pp. 116-19).

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and negative forms, and give the equivalent of your statement in

the mother tongue of your pupils.

The choice of verbs to be used for introducing the new tense requires care. Your pupils have so far used only the Present Tense of be, with a complement. When other verbs are presented the question of verb patterns has to be considered. If we start with such verbs as give and show, we have to decide whether to teach both the main patterns together or only one of them, and, if only one of them, which. It will probably confuse pupils to teach both patterns in one step. If we teach first the pattern:  $S \times v \times V \times D.O.$ ×to×(Pro)noun, there is the likelihood of using sentences that are not quite natural, as 'I'm giving the book to him'. Unless the situation requires him to be made prominent by means of a falling tone, this sentence is not natural. 'I'm giving him the book' is what we should expect. If we teach first the pattern:  $S \times v \times V \times V$  $I.O. \times D.O.$ , we must, if we want our sentences to be natural, use short words (personal pronouns, for example) for the I.O. and longer words or phrases for the D.O., as in 'I'm giving him the red book'. Whichever pattern we decide to present, a knowledge of the object form of the personal pronouns is needed. If these forms have not yet been taught, it seems unwise to present them in the same step as the new tense. (See Chapter 11.)

The two simplest verb patterns to use in the presentation of the new tense are: S×v×V, as in 'I'm walking', and S×v×V× D.O., as in 'I'm opening the door'. The pattern  $S \times v \times V$  can be taught easily, and it is a simple matter to continue with the addition of an adverb or adverb phrase, as in 'I'm walking to the window'. At this stage it is simple to present the object forms of the personal pronouns, as in 'John is walking to me (you, us, him, her, them)'. The verbs look and point are also useful for presenting the object forms of the personal pronouns.

Another useful pattern is: S×v×V×D.O.×Adverb or Adverb Phrase, as in 'I'm putting the book on the table', or 'I'm

Procedures for presenting the Present Progressive Tense in these patterns are set out below. Only one pattern should be presented at a time. Question forms are again optional.

§ 49. Suitable verbs are touch, lift, open/close, push/pull, write, and clean. Doing is needed for questions. As far as possible use, as the objects of these verbs, only words with which pupils are already familiar. With open/close the words door, window, book, box, and bag (for example, a woman's handbag) are obvious choices. (But not mouth, because you cannot make statements while opening and closing your mouth.) For push/pull, use desk or table. If you are in a country where the climate allows you to teach outdoors, push/pull can be taught by using a handcart or barrow. Activities that small children enjoy always help to make a lesson attractive. For the present use nouns, not pronouns, as the objects of the verbs.

It is essential that statements should be made, and questions asked and answered, while the activity is actually in progress. (The new tense is the Present Progressive Tense.) Any activity that continues (another name for the tense is the Present Continuous Tense) for only a few moments, such as standing up or sitting down, or that has to be performed with interruptions to your speaking, as in 'I'm drinking' (sip) 'this' (sip) 'water' (sip), is unsatisfactory. Eating and drinking activities are more easily shown from illustrations than from actual demonstrations. Sitting and standing (the states), and sitting down and standing up (the actions), are better postponed.

It is convenient to use the imperative forms of the new verbs. You have already used look at and come here, with please. So when you say 'Touch the wall' or 'Open the door', you will probably be understood. Do not hesitate to give the mother-tongue equivalents of your commands or requests if there is any failure to

understand.

Touch is an easy verb with which to start.

"What's this? It's the blackboard. "What's this? It's my \desk. I'm \touching my desk. I'm \touching

The fact that only a second or two is needed for giving an article to someone is another reason (see § 48) for not using the verb give for teaching the Present Progressive Tense. (See § 105 for a way of teaching give in this tense.)

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the blackboard. Now I'm touching this wall (this door, this window, etc.).

Peter, | touch your desk. David, | touch your Thead (your Teft Tear, your Tright ear, etc.).

After numerous statements, when the pattern  $S \times v \times V \times D.O.$ is established, use questions and answers, first answering the questions yourself. Use questions with what and questions with or. Postpone questions with doing.

What am I touching? I'm touching the door. What am I touching now? I'm touching the wall. Am I -touching the /blackboard | or am I touching my \desk? I'm touching my \desk. Am I -touching my )left ear | or my \right ear? I'm touching my \left ear,

Mary, | touch your desk. Are you touching your desk | or Anne's desk? You're touching your desk.

(The reason why the teacher answers this question himself is that pupils need to hear the form 'You're -ing' before being called

Next ask questions for pupils to answer. Then require pupils in turn to perform actions and to ask questions for other pupils to answer. This last stage, during which pupils may make requests, ask questions, and answer them, while the teacher looks on and listens, is the most important stage. If there is hesitation, or if there are errors, stop the procedure and give further demon-

Continue with open and close.

-Where \am I?¹ (You're near the \door.) Am I touching the door? (\Yes, | you \are.) \Look, | I'm opening the door.2 Now I'm closing the door.2

The first two questions revise previous work. Opportunities for revision should always be taken.

<sup>2</sup> Actions in slow motion, and to accompany, not precede or follow, the words.

Repeat with window, book, bag, or box. Then ask questions with or. As questions with or are long, use them with activities that can be performed in slow motion (e.g. opening and closing doors and windows), not with activities that require only a second or two (e.g. opening and closing a book or a handbag).

Am I Jopening the door | or \closing the door? I'm opening the door, etc.

Next require pupils to perform the actions. Ask questions and answer them yourself, so that pupils hear the forms with you and he.

John, | come here. Touch the door. What are you touching? You're touching the door. What's John touching? He's touching the door. Is John touching the door | or the window? He's touching the door. John, open the door. What are you lopening? You're opening the loor.

Repeat with other pupils and with other objects. Then give the commands yourself and require the pupils to answer your questions. Then require pupils to carry out the procedure themselves. Call upon a pupil to make the statements and ask questions, with other pupils answering them.

§ 50. The next step is to present the question 'What am I doing?'

Perform various actions and, as you do so, ask and answer the

questions:

What am I doing? I'm opening the window. What am I doing now? I'm closing the window, etc.

Then put the questions to the class. Require pupils to perform various actions and ask the question 'What am I doing?' From

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Tell pupils, in the mother tongue, to perform the actions very slowly and to continue until you give a signal of some kind.

time to time either you, or a pupil you call upon, should ask the question, 'What's David doing?' (or 'What's he doing?')

The verbs push and pull may be used in similar sequences.

This is a \desk. What am I \doing? I'm pushing the \desk. \Tom, | come \here. Push -this \desk. What's Tom \doing? He's pushing the \desk.

What am I -doing now? I'm pulling the desk. Paul, | come there. Pull the desk. What are you

Idoing? etc.

Use in turn all the procedures set out above for open/close, until at the end the activities and the oral work are being done entirely

The verb write is included among the suitable verbs because it enables the spelling of the new verbs to be taught. By this time you are probably teaching spelling forms.

-What am I -doing \now? I'm \writing. I'm writing my name. Now I'm writing a word. It's the word pushing. Now I'm writing the word pulling, etc.

-What's this word? It's the word topening. What's this word? It's the word touching, etc.

-What am I -doing \now? -Am I \text{writing? \No,} I'm \not. I'm cleaning the \blackboard.

Unless you are in a country where the Latin alphabet is not used, and has not yet been taught, you may ask pupils to write words (e.g. their names) and ask questions:

What's Peter doing? He's writing his name. What are you doing, Mary? (I'm writing my name.) John, | clean the blackboard, please. What's John doing? He's cleaning the blackboard, etc.

§ 51. With a large class, demonstrations of walking, running, jumping, and other physical activities, by both teacher and pupils, may be inconvenient. If, however, you are able to give the lesson out-of-doors, such activities are very suitable, especially with young children.

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Indoors, or with older children, wall pictures are probably better. Pictures of a boy swimming, of children running, of a man writing, of a woman singing, or of other activities, are not difficult to charge.

to obtain or prepare.

Revise the pattern set out in §§ 49-50 with touch, open, and close. Then present the new pattern with walking, and the prepositions to and from. Walk slowly and speak as you walk. Afterwards use the verbs go and come.

What am I doing? I'm walking. I'm walking to the door. What am I doing now? I'm touching the door. I'm opening it. I'm closing it. What am I doing now? I'm walking to the blackboard (or my desk). I'm walking from the door to the blackboard (or to my desk), etc.

Give further demonstrations. Then ask questions and answer them yourself, always while you are performing the activity.

Am I -walking to the <code>/door?</code> Yes, <code>I</code> am. Am I -walking to the <code>/blackboard?</code> No, <code>I'm</code> not. What am I -doing now? I'm touching the <code>/door.</code> Am I -walking to the <code>/blackboard</code> or to my <code>/desk?</code> I'm walking to the <code>/blackboard</code>, etc.

After numerous repetitions, ask questions to be answered by pupils.

You may then, if class-room conditions permit, require pupils to perform the activities and ask questions again. If you can take the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The reason for the high-level tone on from here is to make the word prominent on its first occurrence.

class out-of-doors, you can include running, jumping, and hopping

(for young children).

The procedures with wall pictures do not need to be set out in detail. You will point to the pictures in turn and make statements and ask questions.

Look at this picture. This is a boy. He's swimming. Look at this picture. These boys and girls are \running.1 What's this \man doing? He's \writing. What's this \woman doing? She's \walking, etc.

When the new words are known, questions for 'Yes' or 'No', questions with or, and questions with 'What . . . doing' may be put to the class, either for chorus answers or individual answers.

The presentation of go and come requires care. You have been using the order 'Come here, please', so 'Come to my desk' should be understood at once. Suggestions follow.

John,2 | come to my desk. John is coming to my \desk.3 Go to that \door. John is going from my desk to that \door. Come to my \desk again. John is coming from the door to my \desk.

Give numerous examples with different pupils. Give examples with 'I'm going'. Take care to avoid, at this stage, the personal pronouns me, him, her (presented in the next chapter).

You can use this picture for the new word children unless you wish to postpone the irregular plural form. 2 Choose a pupil whose seat is at the back of the room so that there is time

for the statements and questions.

The use of come is correct only if the teacher is at his desk. If the teacher is away from his desk, go is needed.

#### CHAPTER 11 (§§ 52-53)

# The Personal Pronouns (Object Forms) (Me, him, her, you, it, them, us)

§ 52. These forms occur as the object (direct or indirect) of a verb, and after prepositions. Now that pupils have learnt to use a number of simple verb patterns, the new forms can be presented. It is useful to teach these forms before verbs such as give, show, and lend are presented. It is better to teach them with simple Patterns than with the more difficult patterns used with give, show, etc. (as in 'I'm showing her a picture').

It is inadvisable to present all the new forms in one teaching Period. Teach the forms me, him, and her in one period and us,

you, and them in a later period.

Question forms are again optional.

The verbs take and look at are suitable.

It is always advisable to start with material with which your Pupils are familiar. If, for the first two or three minutes, they hear statements and are asked questions that include nothing new, they gain confidence. They feel confident of their ability to follow and understand, and to speak themselves. In the specimen of introductory talk that follows, there are several occurrences of 'Look at ..... This leads up to 'Look at me'.

Look at the blackboard. What am I doing? I'm writing. I'm writing a word. Look, it's the word

blackboard. Is this word flong or short?

What am I doing now? Look, I'm cleaning the blackboard. What am I doing now? Look at me. I'm walking to the door. What am I doing now? Look at me. I'm touching the door. Look at me now. I'm touching the wall. Look at me now. 'Im walking to my desk.

You may now require pupils to perform similar activities in turn and talk about them, each pupil saying 'Look at me' as he is about to begin. Or you may go on at once to present him and her.

Wall pictures are again useful here. Those suggested in § 51

(a boy swimming, a man writing, etc.) can be used again.

Look at this picture. What's this boy doing? \Look at him. He's \swimming. What's this \man doing? \Look at him. He's \writing. What's this \text{woman doing? \Look at her. She's \text{walking. \Look} at these -boys and \girls (or these \children). What are they doing? Look at them. They're running.

Repeat several times. Then require pupils, one at a time, to go and point to the picture and repeat your statements and questions.

§ 53. As the pronoun you is unchanged in form after a preposition or as the object of a verb, it needs less attention than me, him, her, and them. It can be used easily enough, however, after

Look at \me. What are you \doing? You're Tooking at me. What am I doing? I'm looking at

The pronoun it may be introduced with look at, touch, and other

verbs already known.

The pronoun us may be postponed. If, however, you wish to present it with the others, you can do so by calling one or more pupils to stand with you in front of the class. You can say:

-We're looking at \you,2 and you're looking at \us.3

It is used in the examples given in § 100. <sup>2</sup> Pointing to the class,

<sup>3</sup> Indicating the pupils at your side.

## CHAPTER 12 (§§ 54-56)

## The Present Progressive Tense (2) The Pattern: $S \times v \times V \times D.O. \times Adverb$ Phrase or A.P.1

§ 54. The pattern in which an adverb phrase is used should precede the pattern in which a short adverb (or adverbial particle)2 is used. In the sentence 'I'm putting the book on the table', the Word order is invariable. If, for 'on the table', we substitute the adverb 'down', the order is not invariable. We may say either 'I'm putting the book down' or 'I'm putting down the book'. This alternative position for the object is possible when the object is a noun, but not when it is a personal pronoun. For this reason it is better to start with adverb phrases and to postpone the pattern with adverbial particles.

Put and take are suitable verbs for presenting this pattern. A wide variety of adverb phrases may be used, made up of pre-Positions and nouns: on the table (desk, chair, etc.), from the chair

(desk, etc.), in (out of) this box (my pocket, etc.).

Look at this. It's a pen. It's my pen. I'm putting it on the desk. What's this? It's a pencil. I'm putting the pencil on the desk, | too. What's this? It's a book. I'm putting the book on the desk, too.

I'm taking the -pen from my desk, | and I'm putting it on Paul's desk. Where's the -pen now? I'm taking the pencil from my desk. I'm putting it on David's desk. Where's the -pencil \now?3

<sup>2</sup> For adverbial particles see ibid., § 106 (pp. 192-3). 3 One of the pupils should answer.

This is VP 10 in A Guide to Patterns and Usage in English. See Tables Nos. 20-22 (pp. 37-39).

Repeat with other objects. Then require pupils in turn to perform similar activities and to say what they are doing. They should also ask questions with where ('Where's the pen now?') and or ('Is the pen on my desk or on John's desk?'), these questions to be answered by other pupils.

§ 55. When the series with take from and put on has been practised thoroughly, illustrate put in and take out of. For variety, use, instead of pens and pencils, articles such as balls<sup>1</sup> and bottles.<sup>2</sup>

What are these? They're balls. This ball's red. This ball's yellow. This ball's green. Look. I'm putting the red ball in this box. What am I doing now? I'm putting the yellow ball in the box. Now I'm putting the green ball in the box. Where are the balls now? They're in the box.

I'm taking the -red ball out of the box. Now I'm taking the yellow ball out of the box. Now I'm taking the green ball out of the box.

Repeat as often as you think necessary. Then require a pupil to perform the series of actions, saying what he is doing.

Next require two pupils to come to the front of the class. One of them will perform the actions. The other will make the statements.

Peter's putting the red ball in the box. Now he's putting the yellow ball in the box. etc.

Give the class the new word bottle:

These are bottles. This is a large bottle. This is a large bottle, too. This is a small bottle. This is a small bottle, too.

I If these are of different colours, the names of the colours can be used

again.

<sup>2</sup> Some large, others small, so that these two adjectives are used again.

Empty bottles for drinks, etc. (large), and ink bottles (small) are easily obtainable.

Then require another pupil to put the bottles in the box, take them out, and make statements as he does so. Again call two pupils to the front, one to perform the actions and the other to make the statements using the third person he (or she).

The whole procedure may then be repeated with pocket (or handbag), using pens, pencils, small balls, or other convenient

articles.

§ 56. In the preceding section the Direct Object was followed by an adverbial phrase (on the table, out of the box, etc.). The pattern to be presented now is similar, but instead of the adverb phrase there is a short adverb (or adverbial particle). There is, in this pattern, the possibility of placing the adverb between the verb and its object.

The alternative patterns must be presented clearly so that the

learner is enabled to make a correct choice between them.

If the object is short, and always when it is a personal pronoun, it may be placed between the verb and the adverb:

I'm taking them off. I'm putting them on.

If the object is not a personal pronoun, and is not long (not more than three or four words), it may be placed either between the verb and the adverb or after the adverb:

He was putting his shoes on. He was putting on his shoes.

If the object is long, it is usually placed after the adverb:

He was taking off his rubber boots and his wet raincoat. She was picking up the pieces of the broken teapot.

It may confuse your pupils if you present these alternatives together. The pattern in which the object is between the verb and the adverb is more useful for an introduction. We may need to

Or a reflexive or demonstrative pronoun, though these do not concern us yet.

use personal pronouns in alternative questions and in answers to questions:

Is he putting his shoes on or taking them off? He's putting them on.

We do not need, at present, sentences in which the object consists of four or more words. So the pattern in which the object follows the adverb should be ignored for the present. You may deal with it when examples occur in the reading-text. Take care that, in all your examples, the object is placed between the verb and the

Put on and take off seem to be obvious choices for the presentation of this new pattern. But if we are presenting them with the Present Progressive Tense, there is the disadvantage that an action such as putting on and taking off a coat or a hat requires less time to perform than does the spoken description or question —unless it is done in slow motion. If you have a wrist-watch with a leather strap, and pupils have laced shoes, there will be more time for speaking. Another possibility is to use a box or bag with a large number of articles, so that put in and take out are

Start with statements in which the noun occurs. Then use the personal pronoun.

\Look. This is my \watch. It's on my \wrist. It's a \wrist-watch.3 I'm taking the watch \off. Now I'm putting it \on. Now I'm taking it \off, etc.

Repeat several times. Then call upon pupils to come to the front and repeat the sequence. (If the pupil has to use your watch, he may say 'This is the \teacher's watch' or 'Mr. \\_'s watch'.)

There is also the difficulty, in tropical countries, that pupils may not

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> You may start with in the box and out of the box, and then continue with in and out.

with *in* and *out*.

The two statements in which *wrist* occurs are optional. Note that in wrist-watch only the first element of the compound is stressed.

Use similar sequences that you consider suitable (as suggested earlier), but avoid any in which the action cannot easily be spoken about while being performed. With any actions that take time enough, ask 'Yes' or 'No' questions, alternative questions, and questions with 'What'.

Am I -taking the balls fout? Am I putting them fin? Am I putting the balls fin or taking them out? What am I doing now?

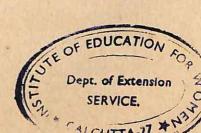
Another possibility, if class-room conditions allow, is to take a chair out and bring it in.<sup>2</sup>

Is Peter taking the chair Jout? Yes, | he is. What's Peter doing now? He's bringing the chair in.

The sequence in which balls are used, for example, needs at least a dozen balls. Stones, pebbles, or other articles may be used if a sufficiently large number of balls is not available.

<sup>2</sup> See that the contrast between take and bring is made clear. Just as come is associated with here, and go with there, bring should be associated with the contrast between take and bring is made clear. Just as

With here, and take with there.



## CHAPTER 13 (§§ 57-61)

# Have, Has (1); How many?

§ 57. The verb have is used in a wide variety of meanings and structures. It is a difficult verb to teach and learn.

The finites of have are sometimes anomalous and sometimes non-anomalous. Pupils must learn when to use hasn't and haven't and when to use doesn't have and don't have. They will discover that most speakers of English from Great Britain prefer has (have) got to has (have) in many contexts, and that most Americans use do you have and don't have in many contexts where English people use have you (or have you got) and haven't (or

Many textbooks for the foreign learner first present the verb have (used to indicate possession) in sentences that are not typical of ordinary everyday English. The question, How much money have you?' is grammatically correct, but most people in England would, in ordinary colloquial style, ask, 'How much money have

The verb have is, however, used in many contexts where have got is not appropriate. During the beginning stage of language teaching it is sometimes considered permissible to use forms that may be a little artificial or unnatural. This is a questionable practice and should be avoided wherever possible. In the material set out below, preference has been given to statements, questions, and answers that cannot be labelled artificial or unnatural. It will be seen that many of the sentences can be reconstructed with 'There is (are)...'. This will be a help when introductory there,

<sup>1</sup> See A Guide to Patterns and Usage in English, § 4 (pp. 8-11). (A finite verb is anomalous only when it may be inverted with the subject, or used

th contracted here.

2 It is impossible to mark clearly a dividing line between British and American usage. 3 See Chapter 14.

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§ 58. A beginning is made by using the numerals. Some and any come later. References are to the walls, windows, etc., of the class-room, to objects brought into the class-room, and to things shown on wall charts, or blackboard sketches. It is assumed that the numerals have already been taught (e.g. with expressions of time). The form has is presented first.

What's this? It's a wall. What's that? That's a wall, \ \too. And \that's a wall. And \that's a wall. This room has four walls.

Look at this. It's a square (or an toblong). How many sides has it? It has four. Look at this. This is a triangle. How many -sides has a triangle? It has Ithree.

Look at this table. How many legs has it? It has four legs. Look at this picture.3 This is a stool. It has three legs. Look at this picture. This is an insect.3 How many -legs has an insect? It has isix. How many -legs has a \dog? It has \four.

Another procedure may be used, but this requires a new use of the preposition of. This use is set out in § 108 below, but may be presented here if the teacher wishes.

Look at this picture. It's an insect. These are its legs. The insect has six legs.

What's this? It's my pencil. This is the point

of my pencil. My pencil has a point.

This is a box. This is the top of the box. This is the bottom of the box. These are the sides of the box. The box has a stop, | a stottom, | and four sides.

<sup>2</sup> This first use of how many should not be a difficulty. The context and the answers should make the meaning clear.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Blackboard sketches will be enough.

This is a \cup. This is the \handle of the cup. This cup has a handle.

Note that if you use this procedure you are using the articles (a and the) in a new way. In § 38 you presented the definite article with nouns that were names of articles already referred to. Now you use a noun first with the definite article and then with the indefinite article: 'This is the point of my pencil. My pencil has a point.' If necessary you may explain this. You say 'the point' in the first statement because the pencil has only one point, just as you say 'the ceiling' (of this class-room). When you say 'a point' in the second statement, the indefinite article is used in the same sense as in the statement: 'This is a point', i.e. is one of those things called 'point'.

If pupils ask no questions about this, it is better, probably, to

say nothing about it.

As most of the nouns used in this material are likely to be known by your pupils (or easily identified from the objects or pictures used), the presentation of has will need little time. The next step is to call pupils to the front of the class and require them to repeat the statements and questions, referring to the objects and pictures that you yourself have used.

Next use hasn't. Use the contracted form /haznt/.

Look at this picture. It's an insect. Has it ten legs? No, | it hasn't. How many legs has it? It

Look at this picture. It's an airliner. Has it six engines? No, it hasn't. It has four.

Has this stool Jour legs? \No, | it \hasn't. It has Ithree.

§ 59. Next give examples of he (she) has (hasn't) and has he (she). A pupil may be called to the front. Tell him to show two pencils or books so that the class sees them clearly.

The objects need not be his personal property. The statements are to be equivalent to 'There are two pencils, etc., in his hand', not to 'He

Look at Paul. He has two pencils in his hand. Has he three pencils in his hand? No, he hasn't. He has two.

Call other pupils out, holding other articles. Repeat the sequences, first asking questions and answering them yourself, and then asking questions to be answered by the pupils. (Do not put questions to the pupil holding out the article, because I/ you have has not yet been presented.)

How many books has David in his hand? (He has three.) Has John four pens in his hand? (Yes, | he has.) Has John six pens in his hand? (No, | he hasn't. He has four.)

During these sequences you may present the new word only.

Has Mary three pencils in her hand? No, | she hasn't. She has only two.

§ 60. When the form has is known, present have. Use the pronouns I and you (sing.) first.

These are my arms. I have two arms. These are my fingers. How many fingers have I? I have ten. I have five fingers on my fleft hand, | and five on my right hand.

Tom, | how many legs have you? How many feet have you? etc.

Get pupils to make statements and ask questions using this material. Then use *have* with the third person plural.

Look at this book. It has a red cover. This book has a red cover, | too. This book has a red cover, | too. These (three) books have red covers.

I Each is better postponed.

Have these (three) books red covers? \No, | they haven't. These books have green covers.

Look at this picture. Have these airliners four engines | or (only) two? They have four engines.

Use the contracted form haven't /havnt/.

The numeral three is in parentheses because it may be omitted. If you say 'these three books', you are using the pattern 'these × numeral x noun' for the first time.

§ 61. Those teachers who prefer to teach colloquial forms at an early stage may wish to present the forms with got without waiting until the Present Perfect Tense is introduced. If their pupils are likely to meet English-speaking people, there is a good case for doing this. The pupils will certainly hear 'I've got'.

Tell the class that I've got, He's got, etc., are the forms normally used for I have, He has, etc., for ownership and for indicating

characteristics. Compare:

A triangle has three sides. This room has five windows.

and,

I've got a new \fountain-pen. You've got a pretty \dress.

In the second pair of sentences the statements are of the kind likely to occur in ordinary conversation. In the first pair the statements are not typical of colloquial conversation and has got

Explanations should be given in the language of the pupils.

#### CHAPTER 14 (§§ 62-65.)

## There is a ..., There are ... (1)

§ 62. The use of the indefinite article as in 'This (That) is a box', and of the 'zero' plural as in 'These (Those) are (—) boxes' has

already been dealt with, in § 10.

The use of the weak numerical article must not be postponed for too long, because the structures 'There is a . . .' and 'There are some . . .' are common. They are also useful. They are needed for contextual procedures, as when we teach the words hour, day, and week.'

The presentation of *There is (are)* needs care. There may be pronunciation difficulties if your pupils are unaccustomed to such consonant clusters as /zð/ in 'Is there a . . .'. The weak forms will need attention. 'There is a . . .' is, in rapid speech, /ðəzə/, almost rhyming with buzzer /bazə/. 'There are . . .' is /ðərə/, almost

rhyming with thorough / θΑΓΘ/.

In the procedures set out below, numbers are used with the plural nouns. This has the advantage of helping pupils to associate the indefinite article with one. The use of some and any is postponed. The use of the 'zero' plural after 'There are' (as in 'There are (—) pine-trees in all European countries') is also postponed. Spread the new material out over many teaching periods.

§ 63. A convenient approach to the use of the new structure is from have and has. You may start by talking about the class-room.

This class-room has five \windows. There are five \windows in this room. This class-room has two \doors. There are two \doors in this room. This box has ten \balls in it. There are ten \balls in this box.

of a new word, etc., is made clear by using it in an appropriate context.

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Look at that wall. There are two pictures on it. Look at that wall. There are three pictures on it. Look at the blackboard. There are six words (or plines) on it.

Look at my \desk. There's a \bag on it.

After making numerous statements (affirmative only) of this kind, call upon pupils to make similar statements. Alternatively, you may yourself make statements with has and require pupils to convert them to statements with "There are".

This room has five windows.
There are five windows in this room.
This box has three books in it.
There are three books in this box, etc.

§ 64. Next present the interrogative, in questions for 'Yes' or 'No', and the short answers 'Yes, there is (are)' and 'No, there isn't (aren't)'.

Are there five windows in this room? Yes, | there are. Are there six windows in this room? No, | there aren't.

Use the weak form /ðə/ with r-linking in the answers.

Yes, | there are. No, | there aren't. inou, | dor a:nt.

With young children very numerous repetitions will be needed to establish the strong and weak forms as in rapid speech. Compare:

This is the first use of on with reference to a vertical surface. Comment if necessary.

pupils to convert the statement 'An insect has six legs' to a statement a statement Avoid statements that clearly indicate possession or ownership, such as 'I have a new bicycle'.

There are /ðərə/ two doors in this room.

Are there /a:ðə/ three doors in this room?

With older children, or adult learners, it will help if you talk about these variations. If your pupils are familiar with phonemic symbols, transcriptions on the blackboard, to be copied into notebooks, are of great value.

Give very numerous examples of the interrogative. You can use

the word only again here. (See § 59.)

Are there I ten balls in this box? Yes, | there are.

Are there I twelve balls in this box? No, | there aren't. There are only ten.

Are there five books on this desk? No, | there

laren't. There are only three.

Next ask questions with or and answer them yourself. If you have suitable wall pictures, use these for variety of subject-matter.

There are three books | or four books on my desk? There are three. Is there a fred book on my desk? Yes, | there is. Is there a fgreen book on my desk? No, | there isn't.

Are there five horses in that picture or only three? There are only three. Are there three girls in that

picture | or only two? There are only two.

Next ask questions to be answered by pupils. Then require pupils, one at a time, to ask questions to be answered by other pupils.

Next ask questions with 'How many'. Again you may start

with pairs of questions using have and are there.

How many windows has the class-room? It has five. How many windows are there in this class-room? There are five.

<sup>1</sup> Used in § 58 with have/has.

How many pens have I in my hand? I have three. Thow many pens are there in my hand? There are three.

§ 65. Another simple procedure is to write words on the black-board (or show cards with words on them). This gives reading practice.

Look at this word. What is it? It's the word? There are five.

The imperatives *read* and *count* may be presented here. Give the equivalents in the mother tongue.

Look at this word. Read it. Yes, | it's the word window. How many letters are there in the word window? Count them. Yes, | there are six.

To give more practice in the singular, draw three lines, different colours, on the blackboard.

Is there a fred line on the blackboard? Is there a free line on the blackboard? Is there a following the blackboard?

Then a question for 'No':

Is there a white line on the blackboard? No, lethere isn't.

Again require pupils to take charge, so that they both ask and

There are numerous other possibilities. Perhaps you have a clock in the class-room.

"Is there a <code>fclock</code> on this wall? Yes, | there is. "Is there a clock on <code>fthat wall?</code> No, | there isn't.

Similar questions may be asked about wall maps.

#### CHAPTER 15 (§§ 66-73)

# There is ..., There are ... (2) Have, Has, (2) Some, Any, No

§ 66. The presentation of the three words some, any, and no (adjectival use) need not immediately follow the presentation of have and there are. You may prefer to postpone the material in this chapter until some, any, and no can be presented with uncountable nouns¹ (some money, any water, no ink, etc.). The arrangement of teaching material in the textbooks used by your pupils will probably be the deciding factor. It is convenient to proceed from 'There are three books on the table' to 'There are some books on the table'. No new content words are needed. The presentation of the pronouns some, any, and none is postponed, however, so that these words are not too far separated from (not) many, (not) much, and a lot.²

§ 67. Start with material already known, so that pupils are given confidence. The transition from 'There are five...' to 'There are some...' will not be difficult.

You may have a number of books of different colours on your desk or table. Talk about the number of each colour, holding them

up as you speak.

Look. There are twelve books on my table. There are four red books. There are three yellow books. There are four black books. There's one green book.

If you have no need to make rapid progress, ask pupils to come to the table and repeat the statements, and to ask questions to be answered by their fellow pupils.

<sup>1</sup> See Chapter 23.

It will be useful now to have a bag or box containing a fairly large number of small articles (e.g. balls, pens, pencils) of different colours. You can then show the contents to the class by putting your hand into the bag or box and holding up a number of the articles, colours mixed, so that it is obvious to your pupils that the number for each colour cannot be stated without counting. This is a situation in which some is the natural word to use. (If you hold up three books, you will be expected to use three, not some. If you show a large number of books, or a number of books of mixed colours, some is natural.)

Use the weak form of some. Say /səm \bo:lz/, not /sam \bo:lz/. The strong some must be kept back until it is needed (e.g. as a

contrast to other).

What is there in this \box? \Look. There are some balls. There are some red balls. There are some green balls. There are some white balls.

Repeat this series with other articles. If, for example, you have a sufficiently large number of flowers of different colours, these will be useful.

Then repeat with a box that contains a fairly large number of different articles—pens, pencils, keys, anything that may be avail-

-What have I (or What is there) in his box? There are some f(or )pens, | some f(or )pencils, | and

Note the tones on the nouns in this series. Only the final noun need have a falling tone.

Require pupils to come to the table and repeat the statements.

§ 68. When the use of some has been learnt, present any in negative statements. Repeat the two series already used, and add,

There aren't any black balls in the box. There aren't any bottles in the box.

After several repetitions, replace the not . . . any by no.

There are no black balls in the box. There are no bottles in the box.

You may write on the blackboard:

There aren't any bottles in the box. There are no bottles in the box.

Underline n't and no and then write: Not any = no.

The next step is to use any in questions, with short answers, which you will give yourself.

Are there any fred balls in this box? Yes, | there are. Are there any Igreen balls? Yes, there are. Are there any black balls? No, there aren't. Are there any keys in the box? Yes, | there are. Are there any bottles? No, | there aren't.

When pupils have heard many examples, ask questions and re-Quire answers from the class. Then require pupils to come to your table and ask questions.

When the short answers are given fluently and correctly, require long and complete answers, so that pupils may use some, not any

(or no) in their answers.

Are there any fred balls in this box? Yes, | there are some \red balls in that box. Are there any black balls? No, | there aren't any black balls. (or) No, | there are \no black balls.

Use any suitable wall pictures for further questions.

Look at this picture. Are there any thorses in this picture? Are there any Jows? Are there any Jtrees? etc.

Or: Yes, | there are some red balls in that box.

§ 69. The next step is designed to link some and any with the indefinite article a(n), used as a weak numerical article meaning 'one'. (See §§ 3-4.)

Place one article in a prominent position somewhere, and a fairly large number of different articles in another prominent position.

Then make statements.

Look. What is there on this table? There's a box. Look at that desk. What is there on that idesk? There are some ibooks on that desk.

Repeat with other objects.

Next use the verb have. Hold up a single article in one hand and a number of articles in the other.

What have I in my left hand? I have a pen. What have I in my \right hand? I have some \pencils.

Repeat with other articles. Require pupils to hold the articles so that 'You have' and 'He (She) has' are used, and require pupils to ask and answer the questions.

In this way pupils learn to associate a and some.

Repeat the series with books and pencils of different colours so that any may be used.

What is there on this \table? There's a \box. Look at that \desk. What is there on that \desk? There are some red books on that desk. Are there any brown books? No, | there aren't. There are some fred books, | but there aren't any brown books.

Note the incidental use of but here. The weak form /bət/ should be used. But will be presented more fully later. Here it will be enough to ask for the mother-tongue equivalent and, if there is no prompt and correct answer, to supply it.

§ 70. The three words something, anything, and nothing are easily learnt when some, any, and no are known. Hold up your right hand, with a small article in it.

I have something in my right hand. What is it? Look. It's a key.

Then repeat with the left hand, first with the hand closed, and

then open to show the article.

I have something in my \left hand, | \too. \Look. It's a small \ball.

Put the key in your pocket.

Is there anything in my right hand Jnow? No, there lisn't. There's \nothing / \nλθin/ in my right hand now.

Put the ball on your desk.

Is there anything in my fleft hand now? No, | there isn't. There's nothing in my left hand now.

Where's the key? It's in my pocket.

Where's the ball? It's on my desk.

Repeat the sequences with other articles, which may be placed on your desk, on the desks of pupils, or in bags, boxes, etc.

Is there anything in this /bag (/box, etc.)? Is there anything on my /desk (on /Peter's desk, etc.)?

Require pupils to repeat some of the sequences by giving them articles to be held or placed somewhere. Require the pupils first to ask and answer the questions themselves, and then to ask questions to be answered by their class-mates.

Finally, ask questions of a general nature using the word anything, and requiring in the answers either nothing or a statement of

the facts.

Is there anything on the blackboard? (No, | there isn't, or No, | there's nothing on the blackboard, or Yes, | there are some words on the blackboard.)

Is there anything on the floor, | near my fdesk? (No, | there's inothing, or in the floor are two indicates the floor near your desk, etc.)

§ 71. The words someone, anyone, no one are also easily learnt when some, any, and no are known. There is no need to present them immediately after some, any, and no. Use the material below whenever, in the textbook, you find the first occurrence of one of them. The procedures set out below use who and the verbs go and stand, so they should not be used until these two verbs are known.

Mary, | go to that corner. Stand there, | please. Then point to another corner of the class-room:

Is there anyone in fthat corner? \No, | there \isn't. There's \no one in that corner

Then point to Mary.

Is there anyone in that corner? Yes, | there is. There's someone there. Who is it? It's Mary.

The sequence can be repeated with other pupils standing in different places (e.g. near a door or window or near the black-board).

Require pupils to come to the front and repeat two or three of the sequences, first asking and answering the questions themselves, and then asking questions to be answered by their class-mates.

Tell the class about the alternative forms someone/somebody, and no one/nobody when these first occur in their textbooks.

§ 72. When the uses of 'There are . . .' with some (and the corresponding negative and interrogative forms with any) are well by some may be presented. It is dealt with here because, for the are' placed in sequence. The presentation of 'There are' with plural nouns without some (i.e. with the 'zero' plural) may be

<sup>1</sup> Who is presented in § 74, go in § 51, and stand in § 109.
2 Or: There \( \) is someone there. \( \) \( \) \( \) iz samwan δεγ.

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postponed for several weeks, or even months, unless its occurrence in the textbook makes it necessary to deal with it earlier.

The difficulty here is that we may have sentences that differ

only in the use or omission of some. Compare:

I. There are some cups and saucers on the table.

2. There are (—) cups and saucers on the table.

In the first sentence, some means 'a few' or 'a number of'. In the second sentence the absence of some gives the meaning: 'There are those things that we call cups and saucers on the table.' In the second sentence attention is directed to the sorts of article, in the first sentence to the fact that there is, on the table, an unspecified number of such articles.

§ 73. In order to link the 'zero' plural of a(n) with the use of a(n) for 'the sort of thing called', start with statements with 'This is a ... and 'These are (—) ... A wall picture of pine-trees is useful.

This is a pine-tree.2 This is a pine-tree, | too. This is a pine-tree, \too. These are pine-trees. Pine-trees are beautiful.

This has established pine-trees, plural, in the sense 'the sort of trees called pine'.

You can now continue, using the plural in the same way: There

are pine-trees in many parts of the world.

Having in this way arrived at the statement 'There are (-) pinetrees..., you may find it useful to give a short explanation, in the mother tongue. This will depend, of course, upon the ages of your pupils, and upon whether they are accustomed to analysis of this sort. Possibly there are some trees in the school grounds. You can say:

There are some \fir-trees3 | in the \garden.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Or a simple blackboard sketch.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Stress on the first syllable only. 3 Or oak-trees, etc., as the case may be.

Point out that in this last sentence some indicates a number which you do not state. (You haven't counted the fir-trees.) In the earlier sentences 'There are (—) pine-trees . . .', the idea of number is absent. The two sentences may be translated into the mother tongue if this helps.

Next show a picture or a blackboard sketch of a number of cups

and saucers. Point to one cup and say:

What's this? It's a cup. Is there a saucer under the cup? Yes, | there is. There's a saucer under

Then indicate the whole number of cups and saucers and repeat your questions and answers in the plural.

What are these? They're cups. Are there saucers under the cups? Yes, | there are. There are saucers under the cups.

Your last statement does not refer to the number of saucers. It conveys the idea: 'There are, under the cups, those things that are

Give other examples of the 'zero' plural of a(n), using whatever objects or pictures are available. Here are suggestions.

Look at this picture. Is the sun shining? No, it \isn't. There are (-) dark \clouds in the sky. Look at the picture a gain. It's autumn. There are (-) dead leaves on the ground.

(Compare: 'Some dead leaves have blown into the room through the open door.')

The use of the 'zero' plural of a(n) after "There are' need not be dealt with at great length. It is less important than the use of some and any. As you go through the reading-texts examples will be found from time to time, and these should be commented on.

<sup>(1) &#</sup>x27;There are some fir-trees in the garden' and (2) 'There are pinetrees in many parts of the world'.

## CHAPTER 16 (§§ 74-75)

## Who? Which?

§ 74. Who as an interrogative pronoun may be presented very early in the course if it is needed (if, for example, it occurs in reading-texts). It may be introduced after the material in Chapter 8 (in which *I am*, etc., are taught). In this case the patterns used must be simple. You walk round the class-room.

Are you Peter? Yes, | you are. Are you Paul? Yes, | you are. Are you Harry? No, | you aren't. Who are you? You're Robert, etc.

Another plan is to wait until the Present Progressive Tense has been learnt. After Chapter 10 you may, when doing revision, ask such questions as:

Who's touching the \door? \Peter is. \Who's touching this \desk? \I am. \Who's pushing this \desk? \Dennis is. \Who's cleaning the \blackboard? \Robert is. \Who's walking to the \door? etc.

Numerous examples should be given, because the short answers, made up of a name or a pronoun and a finite of be, are new.

When you ask questions, frame them so that various answers ('I am', 'You are', 'He (She) is', 'They are', 'We are', 'Peter and Paul are') are required.

§ 75. Which has to be presented both as an interrogative adjective and as an interrogative pronoun. A suitable stage is after "There is' (Chapter 14). Adverb phrases of place and adjectives of size and colour are now known and can be used freely.

You may like to compare 'What are you?' (The answer is, 'I'm a pupil'.)

Make statements and ask questions. Answer them yourself.

There's a book on my desk. It's red. There's a book on Paul's desk, | too. It's green.

Which book is on my desk? The red book's on my desk. Which book's on Paul's desk? The green book's on Paul's desk.

There are some books on my desk. They're red. There are some books on David's desk, \too. They're

Which books are on my desk? The red books are on my desk. Which books are on David's desk? The hrown books are on David's desk.

Note that which, as used in these situations, requires a choice between only two articles or two groups of articles. The use of which for a choice from a number larger than two, but only a limited number, will be dealt with at a later stage.

Repeat the series with other articles and groups, placed elsewhere. Then make the statements and ask questions, this time requiring pupils to answer. When answers come fluently and correctly, require pupils to take charge by making the statements, asking the questions and requiring their class-mates to answer.

The presentation of the pronoun may follow (perhaps a few days later). The same procedures may be used, but this time, instead of 'Which book is on my desk?' etc., you will ask:

-Which is on my desk, the red book or the green book?

You may then shorten the answer. Instead of 'The \red book's on my desk', you may say:

The red book is.

Give numerous examples of this shortened answer before you require pupils to use it.

Further opportunities for practice with which will occur when the comparative of adjectives has been presented. You will then be able to ask such questions as:

Which is larger, | the fred book | or the green book?

## Its, Our, Their, Your (pl.) The Apostrophe with Plural Nouns

§ 76. My and your were presented in §§ 6-8. His, her, and the use of apostrophe s with a singular noun were presented in §§ 22-27. If you have taught 'Telling the Time' (in Chapter 8), its will be known. As 'Telling the Time' may not have been taught yet, however, procedures for presenting its are given here, with procedures for our and their. The procedures suggested below require only a knowledge of the material in Chapter 1, and the adjectives right/left and long/short.

§ 77. Its may be presented quite simply at the same time as his and her, or at a later stage. If at a later stage, start with examples of his and her, then continue with its. Use wall pictures or blackboard sketches if these are more convenient than demonstration

This is a boy. These are his legs (his arms). This is his head (his hace, his back, etc.).

This is a girl. These are her hands (her feet). This is her back (her left hand, her right hand, her Teft \foot, her \right foot).

What's this? This is a cat. This is its thead (its \tail, etc.). These are its \tears (its \legs,

This is a chair. The chair has four legs. These are its \legs.2 This is its \back. Look at \this chair.

Use a name commonly given to cats in your country.

Use a name comment.

2 If you are using a real chair, turn it upside-down and point to the legs.

The chair has two arms. These are its arms. This is an arm-chair.

Look at this clock. This is its face. These are its hands. This is the long hand. This is the short hand.

Call upon pupils to come to the front and repeat the statements.

§ 78. Our and their may be presented together.

Call three or four pupils to your desk and see that each pupil has a pen. Hold up your own pen and say:

This is my pen.

Then, after putting your own pen away, hold up in turn the pens of the pupils, and, addressing them individually, say:

This is your pen.

Next, take the pens of all the pupils, hold them up together, and, addressing the owners collectively, say:

These are your pens.

Then, still holding up the pens, and turning away from the owners, facing the class, and pointing to the pupils, say:

These are their pens.

Next, standing with the boys who are in front of the class, add your own pen to those already in your hand, and say:

These are your pens.

Give two or three repetitions with different groups of pupils and different articles. Then ask one of your best pupils to take your place and repeat the sequences.

§ 79. The presentation of boys', etc., need not be made until an example occurs in the textbook. When the first textbook example

The suggestions below assume that irregular plurals such as men, women, and children are known.

occurs, prepare for it by giving examples before the text is read.

Wall pictures or blackboard sketches will be useful.

The simplest examples with which to start are boys' school and girls' school. Unless your school is mixed, you have only to make the statements:

In this school (or In our school) | there are only boys (\girls). There are no \girls (\boys). This is a \boys' (\girls') school.

You can probably find magazine advertisements for children's bicycles, or perhaps you can make blackboard sketches.

What's this? It's a bicycle. It's a boy's bicycle. This is a boy's bicycle, | too. And this. These are boys' bicycles.

Write on the blackboard: a boy's bicycle and boys' bicycles. Call attention to the placing of the apostrophe in boy's and boys'. Repeat with girl's and girls'.

§ 80. When a noun has an irregular plural without final s (as men, women), the possessive is 's, not the apostrophe alone, as in boys' and girls'. So at a later stage (not in the same lesson as boys' and girls') you should give examples. Pictures of the different clothes worn by men and women can be used.

These are men's clothes. These are women's clothes. These are children's clothes.

It is a simple matter to present whose, but it is better to postpone this word until the forms mine, ours, yours, his, hers, and theirs are presented.<sup>2</sup>

Note here that the adverb phrase has front position, and that there is a rising tone on school.

2 See Chapter 24.

#### CHAPTER 18 (§§ 81-85)

## Between, Over, Under

- § 81. These three prepositions may be presented, in their most common senses, after the use of the definite article and of the interrogative adverb where has been established.
- § 82. Between was used in § 42, Chapter 8 (Telling the Time). If this chapter has not yet been taught, between may be presented by statements of this kind:

Look at these books. Where's the red book? It's be tween the green book and the blue book.

Look at the books now. Where's the green book?

It's be tween the red book and the blue book.

Look at the books now. Where's the blue book? It's between the red book and the green book.

Note in these specimens that when between is used first, attention is called to the new word by the use of a high-level tone on the second (or stressed) syllable. In later examples this high-level tone is more appropriately used with the first of the two alternatives (the colours of the books).

Give other examples, with other objects. The letters of the alphabet can be used. Write on the blackboard sequences of three

letters (e.g. a, b, c; l, m, n; r, s, t; x, y, z).

Look at the blackboard. What are these? They're letters. Are they small letters or capital letters? (They're small letters.) Where's the letter b? It's between a and c. Where's the letter m? (It's between 7 and n.) Where's the letter s? etc.

This sequence may be used at any time after § 38.

Pupils may now be required in turn to ask questions, to be answered by their class-mates.

§ 83. When the use of the Present Progressive Tense has been learnt, further practice in the use of between may be given. Statements of this kind may be used:

Where am I \standing? I'm standing between the \door and the \blackboard (or between \text{-Paul and } \Peter).

Look at Jane. Where's she sitting? She's sitting between Anne and Mary.

Look at this. It's a book. I'm putting it between the box and the bag. Where's the book? (It's between the box and the bag.)

Look. These are keys. I'm putting them between the pens and the pencils. Where are the keys? (They're between the pens and the pencils.)

Put questions to the class and get answers. Then require pupils in turn to ask questions for their class-mates to answer.

§ 84. When over and under are presented, care is needed to see that over is not confused with on. Use a simple blackboard sketch that shows a table. Draw a bag (e.g. a woman's handbag) on the table, an electric lamp suspended from the ceiling over the table, and a basket under the table.

Start by naming the objects, and then make statements about their positions.<sup>2</sup>

What's \this? (It's a \tag.) What's \this? It's a \tag.) This? It's a \tag.

Use a falling tone on the prepositions.

This sequence may be used at any time after Chapter 12.
This sequence may be used at any time after § 38.

Where's the \bag? It's \on the table. Where's the \basket? It's \under the table. Where's the \lamp? It's \over the table.

Give numerous repetitions. Then ask questions and answer them yourself.

Is the bag Jon the table | or \under the table? It's \under the table. Where's the \under basket? It's \under the table. Is the lamp Jon the table | or \under over the table? It's \under over the table.

A simple blackboard sketch of a bridge over a river will be useful. Draw a boat under the bridge.

This is a river. This is a boat. The boat's on the river. Look at this. What is it? It's a bridge. The bridge is over the river. Where's the boat? It's under the bridge.

When you have given numerous repetitions and asked questions, require pupils to come to the blackboard, make statements about the drawings and ask questions to be answered by their class-mates.

§ 85. After pupils have learnt to use going to, the Present Perfect and Past Tenses confidently, further practice in the use of over and under may be given. If outdoor activities are possible, use a rope or a tennis net. Start with going to and an infinitive, and continue with the Present Perfect and Simple Past Tenses. (Do not use the Present Progressive. Statements cannot be made while jumping.)

Look at that `rope. I'm going to jump `over it. What have I just `done? I've jumped over the `rope. What did I `do a few seconds ago? I jumped over that `rope.

<sup>1</sup> See Chapter 28.

\David, | jump over the \rope. \Robert, | what has David just \done?

Look at that \net. I'm going to crawl \under it. Did I -crawl \under the net | or \under did I -jump \under it?\textit{!'} etc.

Make use of any other equipment that may be available. You may, for example, have a bench or garden seat, and ask pupils to climb over it, sit or lie under it, and stand or sit on it.

Require pupils to answer questions that you ask, and then to make statements and requests, and to ask and answer questions themselves, while you look on and listen.

If you consider it undignified for a teacher to do these things or if you are no longer young or agile enough to do them, you may tell pupils to do them and change the pronouns in the question from I to you, he or she.

#### CHAPTER 19 (§§ 86-90)

## More Cardinal Numbers; the Ordinals Last, Next

§ 86. Some of the cardinal numbers were presented in Chapter 8. They were drilled in the sections dealing with telling the time.

At any time after the material in Chapter 8 has been taught you may give an occasional five to ten minutes to teaching higher numbers and the ordinals. The simplest procedure is to use a large wall chart on which the numbers are written or printed. If such a chart is not available, the blackboard can be used. In this case, to save time, the numbers should be written before the lesson starts.

Not more than one of the sections that follow should be presented in one teaching period.

§ 87. Start with multiples of ten (20 to 100), point to them and say:

These are numbers. This is twenty (or the number twenty). This is thirty, etc.

After you have made and repeated your statements (many times), require pupils to point and make statements.

Next point and ask questions.

Is this twenty? (Yes, | it is.) Is this thirty or forty? (It's thirty.) What's this? (It's sixty.) etc.

Pupils may then be required to ask and answer questions of this kind.

§ 88. If the numbers 13 to 19 were not taught with 1 to 12 (see § 40), they should be presented now. The question of stress is important. Pronouncing dictionaries usually give these numbers two equal stresses (thus, 'thir'teen), and indicate the alternatives 'thirteen and thir'teen. The pronunciation with two equal stresses is normal when there is no contrast. Thus, in answer to a question beginning 'How many...' or 'How old...', a number from 13 to 19 inclusive could be uttered with two equal stresses. But when counting from 13 to 19, the stress would normally be on the first syllable: 'thirteen, 'fourteen, 'fifteen, etc.

If you present these numbers by writing them in series on the blackboard, you will utter them with stress on the first syllable.

This is thirteen. This is fourteen (fifteen, sixteen).

\_Count from ten to \twenty. \ten, e \teven, \twelve, \thirteen, \ten fourteen, \text{...} \twenty.

Is this fifteen | or \sixteen? What's \this? It's \eighteen.

On the other hand, if you contrast such pairs as 13 and 30, 15 and 50, 18 and 80 (and this is useful, because learners sometimes confuse members of such pairs), it is better to stress the syllable -teen. This helps to distinguish clearly the members of each pair.

Is this thir teen | or thirty? Is this fif teen | or fifty? What's this? It's six teen.

§ 89. There is no need to teach every number from 21 to 99, but specimens should be used. Write on the blackboard a few examples, such as 21, 25, 66, 83, 99, and give a few minutes' drill. Variety can be obtained by using quarter and half, and by giving simple additions and subtractions, as suggested in § 40.

What's (a) half of fifty? What's (a) quarter of eighty-leight? What are fifteen and thirty? What's seven from fifty-leven? etc.

Remember, however, that you are teaching English, not arithmetic, and make the questions simple.

§ 90. The ordinal numbers will require more time. The simplest way to present them is from the alphabet.

A is the \first letter, B is the \second letter, C is the hird letter, etc.

A wall chart will again be useful. The twenty-six letters may be arranged in columns, with the numbers parallel. The ordinals first, second, third, fifth, and twelfth need more repetitions than the others because of their irregularity. Sixth may be difficult for some pupils to pronounce. To give extra practice with these, state the cardinal numbers and ask for the ordinals.

Pupil: Third. Teacher: Three. Pupil: Twelfth. Teacher: Twelve.

Pupil: Twenty-'first. Teacher: Twenty-'one. Pupil: Forty-'second. Teacher: Forty-'two. Pupil: Thirty-'fifth, etc. Teacher: thirty-'five.

The adjectives last and next may conveniently be presented here, and will then be useful when the material in the next chapter ('The Calendar') is presented.

Use the wall chart of the alphabet again.

The first letter is A. The next letter is B. What's the \next letter? It's \C. What's the \next letter? It's \D. This is \Z. Z's the \last letter.

Point to a letter and say:

What's this? (It's E.) What's the next letter? (It's \F.) What's \this? (It's \L.) What's the \next letter? (It's M.)

Require pupils to come to the chart in turn and make similar statements and ask similar questions (to be answered by their class-mates).

### CHAPTER 20 (§§ 91-97)

#### The Calendar

§ 91. The names of the days of the week, the months, and the seasons are not essential during the beginning stage, but there is no difficulty in presenting them. The words minute, day, hour, week, month, and year are needed. Obviously the number of new words in this chapter is large. The material, therefore, should be spread over a large number of teaching periods. Not more than fifteen minutes in one teaching period should be given to the material.

This material may be used at any time after telling the time, and the use of the structure 'There is (are) . . . ' have been taught.

§ 92. Use a model clock (as suggested in § 41). Place the hands first at three o'clock and then move the hour hand as needed for the statements you will make.

Three o'\clock.) What's the \time? (It's \text{four o'clock.}) What's the time \now? (It's \four o'clock.)

From three o'clock to four o'clock | is one hour. Look at the clock a gain. What's the time how? (It's six o'clock.)

From four o'clock to Jsix o'clock | is two hours.

Give other examples. Then require pupils to use the model clock with similar sequences.

- § 93. Now that hour is known, present minute, day, week, month, and year.
- When the word hour has been heard (and used by the pupils), write it on the blackboard and call attention to the spelling (silent h).

There are sixty minutes in an hour. There are twenty-four hours in a day.

There are seven days in a week.

There are fifty-two weeks in a year.

How many months are there in a year? There are Itwelve.

§ 94. When teaching the names of the days of the week, make any explanations that are needed if, in your country, the equivalent of Sunday is not the first day of the week. If you are in a Muslim country, you may need to tell your class that in Western countries Sunday, not Friday, is a holiday. Use the ordinal numbers. Revise the next and the last.

There are seven days in a week. The first day is Sunday. The second day is Monday, etc. The flast day | is Saturday.

These names will not be learnt and remembered at once. There is no reason why they should be. But practice is needed in pronunciation. The ending -day in these names may be given as /-dei/, e.g. /sandei, 'mandei, 'tju:zdei, 'wenzdei, etc./, or as /-di/, e.g. /wenzdi, '00:zdi, 'fraidi, 'satədi/. The pronunciation with /-di/ is more usual in England, but the pronunciation with /-dei/ is heard. It is a spelling pronunciation that has come into use during recent years.

Ask and answer questions:

Is Sunday the ffirst day? (Yes, | it is.) What's the next day? (It's Monday.) What's the last day? (It's Saturday.) Is Monday the Jsecond day or the third day? (It's the second day.)

In these specimen questions the words 'of the week' have not been used. If you use them, you will need, unless you have already presented this use of the preposition of, to say something about the phrase. (So far your pupils have learnt of only in such contexts as 'Two is a half of four'.)

§ 95. The names of the days of the week can best be learnt by

a two-minute drill each day for a few weeks.

Use the new words today /təˈdei/, yesterday /ˈjestədi/, and tomorrow /tə mərou/. With yesterday the finite was is needed; with tomorrow it is enough to use is unless you think it right, at this stage, to use will be. (Your pupils have not, so far, heard or used an infinitive form, so it may be wiser to use is and postpone will be. The use of is is quite normal.)

Write the names of the seven days in a vertical column. The name of the day on which the lesson is being given may be in red, or underlined, or signalled by means of an arrow. Note, in the specimens below, the use of the strong and weak forms of was.

Today is (\Monday). Yesterday was /wəz/ (\Sunday). Tomorrow is (\Tuesday).

What's to \day? It's (\Monday). What was /wəz/ \yesterday? Yesterday was /wəz/ (\Sunday). What's to morrow? Tomorrow is (Tuesday).

Was /woz/ yesterday ( Sunday)? Yes, it was

/woz/.

Was /woz/ yesterday (\( \)Sunday) or (\)Saturday)? Yesterday was /wəz/ (\Sunday).

If this short drill is repeated regularly for a few weeks the names of the days of the week will soon be learnt.

§ 96. The names of the months will require a much longer time. They can be presented as were the names of the days of the week. Practise the use of the next and the last again.

There are twelve months in a year. The first month | is \January. The second month | is \February. ... The twelfth month is De cember.

Pupils should repeat the names after you for pronunciation fluency. Familiarity with these names will come if you spend two or three minutes daily on statements and questions about the date.

A large wall calendar in English should form part of your class-room equipment. Point to it and say:

What \month is it now? It's (\May). What's the \date? It's the (fifth of \May). What was the date \yesterday? It was the (\fourth of May).

How many days are there in (May)? There are

(thirty-\one).

In time it will be sufficient to call upon one pupil each morning to make a statement.

Today is (\Wednesday). It's the (fifth of \June).

Pupils may be instructed to write the day and the date when they do exercises. Call attention to the use of *1st*, *2nd*, *3rd*, *4th*, etc.

§ 97. It is possible to present the names of the four seasons next (by saying, for example, that December, January, and February are 'the winter months'), but it is probably better to leave the names of the seasons until they occur in the textbook. In many countries there are no seasons that correspond to the seasons of northern Europe. The words winter, etc., should be presented in contexts that help to form correct associations.

## CHAPTER 21 (§§ 98-107)

# The Present Progressive Tense (3) The Pattern: $S \times v \times V \times I.O. \times D.O.^{I}$

- § 98. The question of which verbs and verb patterns to use when presenting the Present Progressive Tense is dealt with in § 48 (Chapter 10). Such verbs as give and show are of high frequency. But because they are used in two patterns (as in 'Give me the book' and 'Give it to the boy sitting in the corner'), it has seemed better to postpone their presentation until now. It is unwise to present both patterns together. In this chapter the pattern  $S \times V \times I.O. \times D.O.$  is presented. The alternative pattern:  $S \times V \times D.O. \times to \times (Pro)$  noun is preferred when the Indirect in 'Give the book to 'me, not to 'her'), and the Direct Object is comparatively short.
- § 99. Show is a more suitable verb than give for a first demonstration. An article can be displayed for as long as is necessary, thus enabling statements, questions, and answers to accompany the demonstration. The action of giving a single article to someone is momentary, and allows inadequate time for the statements, come, and procedures are suggested below.
- § 100. Hold up a number of articles in succession and make statements of this kind:

Look at this. I'm showing you my watch. This is my watch.

This is VP 19A in A Guide to Patterns and Usage in English,

Look at this. I'm showing you a picture. This is a picture. It's a picture of a (tree).1

Look at this. I'm showing you a ball. It's a

Itennis-ball.2

Look at this. I'm showing you a map. This is a map. It's a map of (\India)."

Note that in these statements the I.O. is the pronoun you and the D.O. is a noun, not a pronoun. Do not at present make statements in which the D.O. is a pronoun.

Next ask questions and answer them yourself.

What am I showing you \now? I'm showing you my watch.

What am I showing you \now? I'm showing you the picture.3 What am I showing you now. I'm showing

you the \tennis-ball,3 etc.

Am I showing you the picture? Yes, | I am. Am I showing you the map? No, | I'm not. Am I showing you my watch | or the tennis-ball? I'm showing you my watch.

Before putting questions to pupils, use the imperative, so that me is heard in the new pattern.

Jack, | show me your pen. Susan, | show me your pen. Philip, | show me your left hand. Mary, | show me your right hand, etc.

Next call two or three pupils to the front of the class, stand with them, and use the imperative again, so that us is heard in the new pattern.

<sup>1</sup> Use these statements only if of (as in § 108) has been taught.

<sup>2</sup> Or cricket-ball, football, table-tennis ball. <sup>3</sup> Note 'the picture, etc.', def. art., because it has already been shown.

Take care that the objects shown in the first series are shown in the second series.

Paul, | David, | John, | come there, please. Stand there, | near time.

Jack, | show us your pen. Susan, | show us your pen. Philip, | show us your left hand, etc.

§ 101. When the new verb and the new pattern have been presented in this way, questions may be put to individual pupils (for answers with me), and then to the class (for chorus answers with us).

Paul, | am I showing you the picture | or the map? (You're showing me the map.) David, | what am I showing you? (You're showing me your watch, etc.)

For answers in chorus:

Am I showing you the picture | or the map? (You're showing us the picture.) What am I showing you now? (You're showing us the ball, etc.)

For individual answers:

David, | show me your pen. What are you showing me? (I'm showing you my pen, etc.)

§ 102. Give examples with him (or her) and them as the I.O.

Come there, Paul. What am I tshowing you? (You're showing me your twatch.)

Turn to and address the class.

Yes, | I'm showing him my watch. What am I showing him now? (You're showing him the ball, etc.)

<sup>1</sup> Jack (Susan, Philip, etc.) are pupils sitting at their desks.

David, John, Tom, come here, please. What am I showing you? (You're showing us the picture.)

Turn to and address the class:

Yes, | I'm showing them the picture. What am I showing them \now? (You're showing them the \map, etc.)

§ 103. Next give examples in which names are used for the I.O. instead of the pronouns. Walk round the class and show one of the articles to various pupils in turn. Be careful to use the same Pattern. (It is easy to slip into the pattern 'I'm showing the watch to John' unless you are careful. This would be confusing.)

I'm showing John my watch. I'm showing Paul my watch. I'm showing David my watch, etc.

Give a pupil the ball (or other article) and tell him (in the mother tongue) to go round the class, show it to various pupils in turn, and make statements using their names. You may put questions to other pupils while he is doing this.

What's Paul doing? He's showing John the ball. What's he doing now? (He's showing Tom the ball, etc.)

§ 104. Continue with give. It has already been pointed out that the action of giving a single article is momentary. There is no time for statement, question, and answer. So use a large number of small articles (in a box or other container) so that the activity is

Several syllabuses suggest that give and get should be presented prolonged. together (giving something to someone, and getting something from someone). But as get usually implies some effort, however slight, on the part of the person who receives the article, get is not a very suitable verb for this sort of situation. Take was presented in

§§ 54-56, and may be used here. F

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§ 105. A box containing a fairly large number of books or small stones is used for the procedures set out below. Matches can be used, but larger articles are more easily handled and seen.

Paul, | come to my \desk, please. What are these? (They're \stones.) Where \are they? (They're in this \box.)

Now put the stones in Paul's hands one at a time.

What am I \doing? I'm giving you the \stones. \Count them.

(Paul says, as he takes them: JOne, | Jtwo, | Jthree, | etc.)

What am I \doing? I'm giving Paul the \stones. (Paul continues: feight, | fine, | ften, | etc.) I'm giving him the \stones.

The procedure may be repeated with other articles and in other ways. A pupil may be asked to give articles to you (while you count), or one pupil may give the articles to another pupil, or to two or three pupils (for *us* and *them*). Flowers, taken one by one from a large bunch, may be used.

§ 106. When the new verb has been presented by these procedures, give further practice by walking round the class and asking for various articles.

John, | give me your pen. Mary, | give me your pencil. Susan, | give me your book, etc.

Pupils may be asked to go round the class and do the same. You may vary the requests.

Paul, | give David your pen. John, | give Philip your book, etc.

No questions should be asked about these momentary activities.

§ 107. A few days later let pupils have further practice with give in this pattern and combine it with revision of take and put, as already taught (§ 54).

Paul, | I'm giving you these stones. You're taking them. You're taking the stones from me. You're counting them. You're putting them on the desk.

Question and answer drills will follow. The procedure can be varied by requiring pupils to give things to you, or to each other,

so that the pronouns him (her) and them are used.

The verb bring, in the pattern bring something in, may be known to your pupils. (It was suggested as a possibility at the end of § 56.) You may now present bring in the pattern bring somebody something.

Paul, | show me your book. Bring me your book.2

Give me the book. Thank you.
Susan, bring me your book. Open it. Close it.

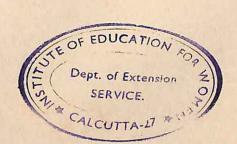
Give me the book.3 Thank you.

If Paul is entirely passive, receive is a better verb.

<sup>2</sup> If the command is accompanied by a suitable gesture, it will probably

be understood. Give a translation if necessary.

3 Not 'Give me it'.



### CHAPTER 22 (§§ 108-11)

# More Prepositions (Of, behind, in front of)

§ 108. Of was used in § 40, in the statements 'Five is a half of ten', 'Two is a quarter of eight', etc.

It is important to give other examples of the use of this preposition. Your pupils have learnt the use of 's, as in John's face.

They should now learn the face of the clock.

Do not state anything as a firm rule. You may say that of may be used in most but not all cases, with reference to a part or parts of an inanimate object. Later on your pupils will hear and see other ways of expressing such relationships (e.g. 'garden wall' for 'wall of the garden', and 'today's newspaper'). So no firm rule should be given.

Start by talking in this way:

This is a table (or a thair). These are the tlegs of the chair. What tolour are they? They're (black).

Use the weak form /əv/.

This is a clock. These are the hands of the clock. This is the face of the clock. It's round.

Look at the \blackboard. This is the \top (\bottom) of the blackboard. This is the \middle of the blackboard.

Look at this box. This is the top of the blackboard is the bottom of the box. This is the top of the box. This box. This is the lid of the box. This is the of the box. This is the of the box. This is the of the box.

The words round, top, bottom, lid, outside, and inside have not been used before. Side was used in § 58 (the sides of a square and a triangle).

Call upon pupils to come to the front of the class and make similar sequences of statements. Revise previous work by telling pupils to write their names (or words) in the middle of the blackboard. While they are doing this, ask questions.

Where are you (or Where is Paul) writing your (or his) name?

Ask a mixture of questions with or so that full answers with of are required.

Is this the Jtop of the blackboard | or the bottom of the blackboard? Is this the Joutside of the box | or the blackboard? etc.

Continue with another and quite different use of of.

Look at this picture. It's a picture of a boy (of two girls, of some some trees, etc.).

If you have, at this stage, taught water, sand, and other uncountable nouns (see § 112), you may present still another use of this preposition. Make such statements as:

This is a glass of water. This is a bottle of ink. This is a box of sand. This is a bag of rice (or flour).

§ 109. It is convenient to present behind and in front of together. Between (see § 42 and §§ 82-83) may be revised with them.

The verbs stand and sit are suitable verbs. It is useful to teach, in the Imperative, 'Stand up' and 'sit down'. But when stand and sit are used in the Present Progressive Tense (e.g. 'I'm standing in front of the blackboard' and 'You're sitting behind Susan'), the adverbs do not occur. Stand up and sit down are used of the momentary actions in which there is movement; stand and sit are often used, without the adverb, of the continuing states.

<sup>&#</sup>x27;I had to stand all the way home in the bus' is preferable to 'I had to stand up all the way  $\cdots$ .

In front of is a compound preposition. Your pupils have already learnt out of (§ 55), and you may have taught at the top (bottom) of (\$ 108).

In front of should be firmly associated with behind at this stage. Pupils will later on learn before with after. These two words are used chiefly for expressions of time. Pupils will, at a more advanced stage, meet such examples of before used of order ('B comes before C') and of position ('brought before the Judge'). To avoid confusion between in front of and before, present in front of now in close association with behind.

§ 110. Place your desk or table in front of the class and stand between the desk and the blackboard (or wall). Then make statements:

I'm standing behind this desk. You're in front of me.

Repeat these statements several times and then continue:

Where's the desk? It's in front of me. Where's the \blackboard? It's be hind me.

Then go to the door, or a window, and make appropriate statements.

Where am I standing now? I'm standing at the door. The door's be hind me.

Call upon pupils to stand behind your desk, or with a door or a window behind them, and make statements. Then ask questions:

Is the desk be hind you | or in \front of you? (It's in \front of me.) Where's the \blackboard? be hind me.) Is Paul standing at the Joor? (Yes, he \is.) Is the door be hind him? (\Yes, it \is.) Is John standing in front of the blackboard | or in front of the \door? (He's standing in front of the \door, etc.)

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§ 111. Present the orders 'Stand up' and 'Sit down'."

Paul, | stand up, please. Go to the blackboard. Stand there.

Where's Paul standing? He's standing in front of the blackboard. Where are you standing, Paul? (I'm standing in front of the blackboard.) Thank you, Paul. Go to your desk. Sit down.

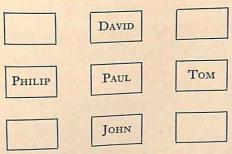
Where is Paul sitting? He's sitting be hind John.

He's sitting in front of David.

Where's John sitting? He's sitting in front of Paul. Who's sitting behind John? Paul is. Who's

sitting behind \Paul? \David is.

Look at Philip. Where's Philip sitting? He's sitting on Paul's right.<sup>2</sup> Look at Tom. He's sitting on Paul's pleft.<sup>2</sup> Paul's sitting be tween Philip and Tom.



Give further examples with names of pupils in another part of the class. Then ask questions.

tongue equivalent.

2 Right and left from Paul's point of view, not from yours. Note that

this is a new use of on.

If these are not understood from your gestures, give the mother-

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Dick, who's sitting be hind you? Who's sitting in front of you? Tom, who's sitting behind Roger? Are you sitting between Alan and John or between Colin and Martin? etc.

You may also require pupils to stand up and make a series of statements.

I'm sitting be hind \W. I'm sitting in front of \X. I'm sitting be tween Y and Z. Y is sitting on my right (my left).

If you have already taught no one (or nobody), you may call upon pupils who will have to answer:

P is sitting on my right. No one is sitting on my \left.

Or:

P is sitting in \front of me. No one is sitting be hind me.

Note that you cannot yet expect the answer "There's no one sitting . . .'.

Blackboard drawings may also be used for behind and in front of. The new verb draw is needed.

Look at the blackboard. I'm drawing a house. Now I'm drawing a tree. I'm drawing the tree be hind the house. Now I'm drawing a motor-car. I'm drawing the motor-car in front of the house. Where's the tree? (It's be hind the house.) Where's the motorcar? (It's in \front of the house.)

You may then call upon pupils to come to the blackboard and make similar drawings. While they are drawing they will make statements. They may ask questions, to be answered by other pupils. Other pupils may both ask and answer questions.

### CHAPTER 23 (§§ 112-18)

## Uncountable Nouns

§ 112. The nouns that have been presented so far have been countable nouns and proper nouns. In this chapter procedures for presenting some nouns which are generally uncountable are set out. These nouns are names of materials. The learner has to see that these new nouns are not used (except with changes of meaning with which we are not at present concerned) with the indefinite article, with numerical adjectives, or with plural verbs.

§ 113. A simple procedure is to make pairs of statements, one with a countable noun and the other with an uncountable noun. If the two nouns are naturally associated, so much the better.

Hold up first an ordinary pen (not a fountain pen) and then a

bottle of ink.

This is a pen. This is ink.

Repeat the two statements several times.

Hold up an ordinary drinking-glass (empty), and then pour water into it from a jug or bottle. Make the statements:

This is a glass. This is water.

The second statement should be made while you are pouring the water into the glass. Pour more water into the glass and repeat the second statement. Empty the water out of the glass and again, as you do so, say:

This is water.

Next, to contrast the plural (for countables) and the singular (for names of materials), hold up a number of pens and a bottle of ink.

These are pens. This is pink.

Place a number of glasses on your desk or table.

These are \glasses.

Then, as you pour water into each of them, say:

This is water.

There are other possibilities. You may have cups and milk, cups and rice (to be poured from a bag into the cups), saucers and sugar.

This is a saucer. This is sugar.

§ 114. The nouns presented in the last section may be used again with there is and some, any, no.1

What is there in my left hand? There are some pens. What is there in my right hand? There's a bottle. Is there anything in the bottle? Yes, | there is. There's some link.

Use the weak forms in these statements:

There are some pens.
There's a bottle.
There's some ink.
Yes, | there is.

There is.

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What are these? They're glasses. What's this? It's a bottle. There's some water in the bottle. Is there any water in these glasses? No, | there isn't. There's mothing in these glasses.

Similar sequences may be used with the cups and saucers, the milk, sugar, and rice. After you have given enough repetitions, the questions may be put to pupils. Finally pupils may be required to come forward and repeat the sequences.

<sup>1</sup> See Chapters 14 and 15.

§ 115. The new pattern Noun × of × Noun (as in box of matches, glass of water) may now be presented. Start with countable nouns. Use the pattern there is (are) again, and some, any, no.

Look at this. It's a hox. It's a box of matches.

These are matches.

What's this? This is a box, | too. It's a box of pencils. Look. I'm opening the box. These are pencils. There are (ten) pencils in this box.

What's this? It's a tin.2 It's a tin of ciga rettes.3 Look. These are ciga rettes. There are (fifty)

ciga rettes in this tin.

This is a packet of cigarettes.4 There are ten ciga rettes in this packet.

If you have a basket and a supply of fruit, you may continue with basket of (oranges, etc.). Wall pictures or blackboard sketches

may be used.

The nouns presented in § 113 may be used for the pattern  $Noun \times of \times Noun$  in which the second noun is an uncountable noun.

This is a glass of water. This is a bottle of ink.

§ 116. For such materials as wood, glass, paper, leather, cloth, bread, cheese, the word piece is needed. When you show a piece of wood or other material, see that it is not an article that can be named. A piece of leather should be a shapeless piece, not a leather belt. A piece of glass should be a shapeless, broken piece, not a pocket mirror. Do not hold up a wooden ruler and say, 'This is a piece of wood'. A piece of paper should be a torn piece, not something that would be more accurately called 'a sheet of paper'.

1 See § 108.

4 Or envelopes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Use can if American English is preferred.

<sup>3</sup> Or plums, tomatoes, or whatever is available.

What's this? It's a piece of glass. Is this a piece of glass? No, | it \isn't. It's a piece of \wood.

This is a piece of cloth. This is a piece of leather,

etc., etc.

Put questions to the class and require answers.

"Is this a -piece of Jglass? "Is this a -piece of Jwood | or a -piece of \glass? What's \this?

Require pupils to handle the materials, make statements, ask and answer questions.

The noun chalk has been avoided because some speakers use a 'piece of chalk' and others use 'a chalk', 'a box of coloured chalks', etc. If you wish, use chalk either as a countable or as an uncountable noun, but do not confuse pupils at this stage by

§ 117. The words full and empty may be presented now. Use both countable and uncountable nouns.

Look at this \box. It's full of \matches. Look at this bag. It's full of books. Look at this blass. It's full of water. What is there in this bottle? There's \nothing in this bottle. The bottle's \tempty.

Is there -anything in this Jbox? Yes, | it's Ifull. It's full of balls. Look! I'm taking the balls out." I'm putting them on the \desk.1 The box is \empty now. There's nothing in it.

§ 118. Your pupils will not learn to use constructions in the passive voice for a long time yet. There is no reason, however, why they should not learn the words 'made of' in such simple state-

<sup>1</sup> As in §§ 55-56.

This table is made of wood. This window is made of wood and glass.

Give an equivalent of these statements in the language of your Pupils and then continue with other examples. Restrict the number of new words to what you consider to be reasonable.

This is my coat. It's made of wool (cotton, etc.). What are my shoes made of? They're made of Meather. What's this desk made of? It's made of wood. "Is the board made of wood?

Pupils may be required to make similar statements and to ask

questions to be answered by their class-mates.

Note that the word glass has been used in two senses, first meaning a drinking utensil, and secondly meaning the material of which windows, mirrors, etc., are made. If your pupils are by now using notebooks, they should write in them examples of both senses.

There is a glass of water on the table. There are six glasses on the table. Windows are made of glass.

I Or blackboard.

## CHAPTER 24 (§§ 119-22)

## Mine, yours, his, hers, ours, theirs, whose Mary's, one(s) (indef. pron.)

§ 119. Start with mine and yours. Call a pupil to the front of the

Mary, | come there, please. Bring your book.

Now hold up your own book and say:

This book is mine.

Repeat the statement several times, and shorten to:

This book's mine.

Next touch or point to Mary's book and say, looking at Mary as you speak:

This book is \yours.

Repeat several times and combine the two statements.

This book's \mine, | and this book's \yours. Say to Mary:

-Put your book on my \desk. \Thank you. -Go back to your \seat.1

Hold up your own book and point to Mary's book on the desk.

This book's mine. Whose book is that? It's Mary's. This book's mine. That book's Mary's. My book's red. Mary's book is green.

In this sentence back as an adverb and the noun seat are new. There is no need to comment on the words. If you use this command regularly from now on whenever a pupil is to return to his or her seat, the meaning

Revise the use of which (§ 75) and of adjective phrases after a noun.

Which book is mine? The red book is mine. Which book is Mary's? The green book is Mary's.

Next point to books or other articles on the desks of your pupils. Ask questions. Answer these yourself at first, but later require pupils to give answers.

Whose book is that? (To Peter) It's yours, Peter. Whose pen is this? (To the class, holding the pen up) It's John's. (To John, as you hand it to him) This pen is yours, John. (To Paul, as you touch his desk) Whose desk is this, Paul? (It's mine.) (To David, as you touch Paul's desk) Whose desk is this, David? (It's Paul's.) (To John, as you touch David's desk) Is this desk yours or David's? (It's David's.) (To Jack, as you touch Jack's desk) Is this desk Paul's or yours? (It's mine.)

When this new material has been mastered, pupils may be asked to take charge, make statements, and ask questions.

§ 120. Present ours and theirs next. To do this one group of Pupils may be called to the front and asked to place their books on the teacher's desk or table. Another group may be asked to place their books on the floor (or on the desk of one of the pupils). The teacher joins the first group and places his book with the others. He says, while standing with the first group, near the desk or table:

These books are Jours.

Each member of the group is required to repeat the statement. The teacher then asks the question:

Whose books are these? They're tours.

He then puts the question to the group collectively, for the chorus answer, and then individually, for individual answers. Then, pointing first to the books belonging to members of the second group, and then to the group, he says:

Those books are theirs. Those books aren't ours; they're theirs. Whose books are these? These books are lours.

§ 121. If you have a class of both boys and girls, there will be no difficulty in presenting his and hers. One boy (David) and one girl (Nancy) can be called to the front and asked to place articles on your table. You may then make statements, ask and answer questions.

Look at the -two books on the \table. This is \his book. It's red. This is her book. It's green. The red book is this. The green book is thers.

Which is his, | the red book | or the green book?

The \red book is his.

David, | which is your book? (The red book's mine.) Nancy, | which is David's book? (The red book's his.) Nancy, | which book is yours? (The \green book's mine.) \Paul, | which book is \Nancy's? (The green book is Nancy's, etc.)

If you have a class of boys only or girls only, use wall pictures or blackboard sketches. Pictures of a boy and a girl with a pet dog and a cat will do very well. You can then make statements

Look at this boy. Has he a Jdog or a cat? (He has a \dog.) Look at this \girl. Has she a dog? (No, | she hasn't. She has a cat.)

Is the dog this | or thers? (It's this.) Whose is

the \cat? (It's \hers.)

Pointing to the pile of books at his side.

§ 122. The indefinite pronoun one may be presented when the possessives mine, yours, etc., are being drilled. This one and that one are regularly used; these ones and those ones are not often used, these and those alone being preferred. Which one and which ones should be presented. One and ones can be introduced when the material in the preceding sections of this chapter is being revised.

This pen is mine. That one is yours (his, hers). That desk is mine. This one is yours (his, hers). Look at these three pencils. Which one is Paul's? The red one is. Which one is David's? The green one is. Which one is Tom's? The black one is.

Look at these books. Which ones are mine? These are. Which ones are yours? These red ones are. Which ones are Tom's? These brown ones are.

Use other articles so as to give further examples, e.g. those (these) large (small) boxes, these long (short) lines.

Note that although these (alone) is commoner than these ones, phrases in the pattern these (those) × adjective × ones are common.

#### CHAPTER 25 (§§ 123-6)

# The future with am (is, are)×going to $\times$ Infinitive

§ 123. The structure in which a finite of be is used with going to and an infinitive, with or without an adverbial of time, is commonly used to indicate a future activity or state. It usually indicates intention, but may also indicate probability or likelihood.

'I'm going to write a letter' is probably more usual, if intention

is to be indicated, than 'I shall (or will) write a letter.'

This chapter sets out procedures for presenting this structure.

§ 124. Start with examples of go in the Present Progressive Tense, and then give statements with an infinitive added. Stand at a distance from the blackboard.

Where's the \blackboard? It's \there. I'm going to the \blackboard. I'm going to write my \name on the blackboard. What am I \doing? I'm writing my \name.

I'm going to draw some lines on the blackboard.

What am I going to do? I'm going to draw some lines. What am I doing? I'm drawing lines.

(... five, | fsix, | fseven, | ...) fwhat am I doing? I'm drawing lines.

I'm drawing lines. (... ften, | e fleven, | ftwelve, | thir fteen...) How many lines are there on the blackboard lines? (There are fif teen.)

Peter, | come here, please. Clean the black-board. (To the class) What's Peter going to do? He's going to clean the blackboard. (To Peter) What are

Do not allow Peter to have the duster (or eraser) until the question

you -going to \do, Peter? You're going to clean the \blackboard. What are you \doing, Peter? (I'm cleaning the \blackboard.) \Thank you, Peter. Go back to your \seat.

§ 125. Give other examples (e.g. opening and closing a door, window, or book, putting articles into a bag or box and taking them out). Then, when the new pattern is familiar to the class, continue with questions to be answered by pupils, either individually or in chorus. Questions should be put to pupils who are doing things and also to those who are looking on. Start with activities that you yourself perform.

I'm going to open this box. Am I going to open this bag? (No, | you're not). What am I going to do? (You're going to open that box.) I'm going to put my pen in the box. Am I going to put my pen in the box? (Yes, | you are.) Am I going to put my pencil in the box? (No, | you're not.) What am I going to do? (You're going to put your pen in the box.) Where am I going to put my pen? (You're going to put it in the box.) I'm going to close the box. What am I going to do now? (You're going to close the box.)

For the next sequence it will be necessary for you to control the activities of the pupil by not giving him the chalk or duster until the questions and answers for the particular activity are finished. The vocabulary needed was presented in Chapter 8 ('Telling the Time'). Draw a large circle on the blackboard and then proceed:

(a) Paul, | Peter, | come to the blackboard, please. We're going to draw a clock. Paul, | write the number six. Peter, | what's Paul going to do? (He's going to write the number six.) Paul, | are you going

to write the number six or the number inine? (I'm going to write the number six.) Henry, is Paul going to write the number six? (Yes, | he is.) Is he going to write it at the Jtop | or at the bottom?"

(b) Peter, | write the number twelve. Paul, | what's Peter going to \do? (He's going to write the number \twelve), etc., etc.2 \Thank you, Peter. \Thank

you, Paul. Go back to your seats.

(c) Alan, | David, | come to the blackboard, please. Alan, | draw the long hand, please. David, what's Alan going to \do? (He's going to draw the Alan, what are you going to do? (I'm going to draw the long hand.)3 Thank you, Alan.

(d) David, | draw the short hand, please. Alan, what's David going to do? (He's going to draw the \short hand.)4 \Thank you, David. \Thank you,

Alan. Go back to your \seats.

§ 126. The phrase rub out may now be taught. Use it yourself first. Then get pupils to use it in answers.

Look at this. It's a duster.5 I'm going to rub the long hand \out.6 What am I \doing? I'm rubbing the long hand \out.

Now give Paul the chalk and let him write the number six. Then take the chalk from him.

<sup>2</sup> Continue questions as in (a). Take the chalk from Peter when he has

written the number twelve.

3 Now give Alan the chalk. Take the chalk from him when he has drawn the long hand. 4 Continue as in (c).

5 Or eraser if duster is not the right word for what you use for cleaning the blackboard.

6 Although 'rub out the long hand' is possible here, stick to the pattern already presented (in §§ 54-56), with the object between the verb and the Roger, | come here, please. Rub the short hand out. What are you going to do, Roger? (I'm going to rub the short hand out.) Harry, | what's Roger going to do? (He's going to rub the short hand out.)

If further practice is needed, pupils may be asked to draw other objects (e.g. an animal, a house) and to say what they are going to do, and ask and answer questions. They may rub out parts of the drawings (e.g. the tail, legs, head, of an animal) and

again talk.

In this chapter the infinitive forms of various verbs (write, draw, do, clean, open, close, put, take, rub) occur for the first time. The infinitive forms are identical with the imperative forms, which are also used. The infinitives here are used with to. Unless your pupils are very young, you may like to call their attention to these forms. (Do not tell them that infinitives are always used with to. They will soon meet infinitive forms without to, as in 'He will go (come, etc.)'.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Keep the duster back until questions and answers are finished.

#### CHAPTER 26 (§§ 127-31)

#### The Present Perfect Tense

(for actions in the immediate past, with the result prominent in the present)

§ 127. Chapter 10 of this book opens with a discussion concerning the Present Progressive Tense and the Simple Present Tense, and the reasons for presenting the Progressive Tense before the Simple Present. To many teachers it will seem even more revolutionary to present the Present Perfect Tense before the Simple Present. There are several good reasons for doing so.

The Present Perfect Tense requires the teaching of no new grammar mechanisms for the interrogative and negative. The interrogative is formed by inversion of subject and finite verb, a mechanism with which pupils are now thoroughly familiar. The negative involves the placing of not after the finite have or has. Pupils have been placing not after am, is, and are, so again there is no new mechanism.

The Present Perfect Tense has many uses. Some of these will probably be difficult for your pupils. But the use to be presented here is not difficult. The tense is presented in a simple sequence easily demonstrated through class-room procedures. We are first going to do something, next we are doing it, and then we have done it. The addition of the word just is suggested because this adverb is so often used in this kind of situation.

§ 128. Use the procedures set out in the last chapter for going to and an infinitive. No new words need be presented, but the past participle forms will, of course, be new. Many of the most frequently used English verbs are, unfortunately, irregular, so we have such forms as gone, done, put, taken, drawn, given. It would be convenient if we could restrict ourselves to regular forms such as walked, opened, closed, pushed, pulled. It would be wrong, however, to do this. Irregular verbs such as come, go, draw, write, run, sit, are too common to be postponed.

§ 129. Here is a specimen sequence. In parts (a) and (b) questions may be answered by the pupils. When part (c) is reached, answers are to be given by the teacher.

(a) Look at this box. It's full of balls. I'm going to take the balls out. What am I going to do, Harry?

(You're going to take the balls out.)

(b) I'm taking the balls out of the \box. \textstyle One, | \textstyle three, | \textstyle four, | \cdots I'm \textstyle counting them \cdots, \textstyle five, | \textstyle six, | \textstyle seven, | \cdots \textstyle What am I \textstyle doing, Tom? (You're taking the balls out of the \textstyle box.) \textstyle Where am I \textstyle putting them? (You're putting them in the \textstyle bag.)

(c) Look. The box is empty now. I have taken the balls out of the box. I have put them in the bag.

Look. They're in the bag now.

Repeat these statements several times. Hold up the empty box as you say 'The box is empty now', and say 'now' very clearly. You want to cause pupils to associate the new tense form (have and the past participle) with the idea of now, present time.

§ 130. Now give several more examples of the new tense, in a rapid sequence.

Look. I've just put my -book on the table. It's on the table now. Paul, | come to the table, please. I'm going to give you the book. I've just given you the book. Put the -book on the table. You've just put the -book on the table. The book's on the table now. Go back to your seat, Paul. Sit down. You have just sat down, Paul. I'm going to sit down. I've just sat down.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Be careful, when using the verb give, to stick to the pattern taught in Chapter 21: give somebody something.

Peter, | come here, please. Take this book. I've given you the book. You've taken it. Open the book. What have you just done? You've just opened the book. Now close it. You've just closed the book. Now go to Paul. Give Paul the book. You've just given Paul the book. Paul, come here and give me the book. Paul, you've just given me the book.

§ 131. When pupils have heard all these examples, repeated and varied, give pupils opportunities of using the new tense, first in statement form (answers to questions) and then in the interrogative form.

Give commands, make statements, or ask questions about what is going to be done, what is being done, and then about what has been done. Put some of the questions to the pupils who are carrying out the commands and other questions to the rest of the class.

Susan, | come to the board. Write your name. What are you going to do, Susan? (I'm going to write my name.) What's Susan doing, Mary? (She's writing her name.) What has Susan just done, Agnes? (She's just written her name.) Who has written her name, Lucy? (Susan has or Susan has written her name.) Susan, | where have you written board, Susan. What's Susan going to do, Joan? done, Jane? (She's cleaned the board.) Thank you, Susan. Go back to your seat.

r As on previous occasions, see that the chalk and duster are not available until the questions and answers are finished.

This sequence may be repeated with other activities, such as drawing an animal, taking out articles from a bag or box and putting them into something else.

When answers come fluently and correctly, require pupils to take complete charge, that is, to do everything that you have been

doing.

Note that you have taught only one use of the Present Perfect Tense, its use with reference to actions in the immediate past and the present result of such actions.

## CHAPTER 27 (§§ 132-7)

# The Simple Past Tense (1): Was, Were; Had

§ 132. The Past Tense form was is known. The form were is new. These two forms may be presented together with further practice in the use of going to and an infinitive, and the Present Perfect Tense. This method of presentation helps to make clear the difference between the Simple Past and the Present Perfect. Here are some procedures:

Look at the table. There's a book on it. I'm going to take the book from the stable. I'm going to put it in this \bag. What have I \done? I've taken the book from the table. I've put it in this bag. Where's the book mow? It's in this bag. It was on the table. Now it's in this \bag.²

Repeat several times. Then use the same sequence with books, so that were is presented.

Look at the table a gain. There are some books on it. I'm going to take the -books from the table. I'm going to put them in this bag. What have I done? I've taken the -books from the table. I've put them in this bag. Where are the books now? They're in this hag. They were on the hable. Now they're in this

Use the strong forms of was and were in these statements.

It was on the table. it woz on ∂ə \teibl. They were on the table. dei wor on do teibl.

The strong forms are needed to make a contrast with is and are.

<sup>2</sup> Note the position of now. It is placed first for emphasis.

I See § 95 ('Yesterday was Sunday', etc.) and § 96 ('What was the date yesterday?', etc.).

§ 133. These sequences may now be repeated with questions to be answered by pupils. They may then be used again with pupils performing the activities and answering questions about these activities. Finally pupils may take over the complete sequence, giving the commands, making the statements, and asking and answering the questions.

Note that the strong forms of was and were are used. Strong

forms occur in the questions and in the short answers.

Yes, | it was. Was it on the table? it woz. woz it on do fteibl? Were they on the table? Yes, | they were. √jes, | ðei √wə. wa: dei on da /teibl?

§ 134. The adverb ago is useful here, in such expressions of time as 'a minute ago' and 'a few seconds ago'.1

Take various articles and move them from one place to another,

making statements as you do so.

Where's my watch? Look, | it's on my wrist. Where is it now? I've taken it off. It's in my pocket. Where was it a few seconds a go? It was on my wrist. Where is it now? It's in my pocket.

Where are my keys? Look, | they're on the desk. Where are they now? I've put them in the drawer. They're in the drawer now. Where were they a few seconds a go? They were on the desk. Where are they now? They're in the drawer.

Note that the weak forms of was and were are used now. They are used in the answers to the where questions.

Where was it a few seconds ago? weə woz it ə fju: sekəndz ə gou?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Give an equivalent in the mother tongue for these new expressions. They are to be learnt incidentally here, and will be presented more systematically later.

It was on my wrist. it waz on mai rist. Where were they a few seconds ago? weə wə: ðei ə fju: sekəndz ə \gou? They were on the desk. ðei war on da Adesk.

§ 135. Give some examples of were with you and we. This can be done by calling upon two or three pupils to stand in different places.

Where are you now? You're near the blackboard. Where were you a minute a go? You were near the door, etc.

You will stand with the pupils for we.

Where are we \now? Where were we half a minute a go? etc.

§ 136. The forms wasn't and weren't should be presented. Here are suggestions:

What's to day? It's Thursday. What was /Sunday? \No, | it \wasn't.

-Was Paul here Jyesterday? Yes, | he was. -Was Paul here on Sunday? No, | he wasn't. Paul wasn't here on Sunday. Peter, | were you here yesterday? Yes, you were. Were you here on Sunday?2 No, you weren't. You weren't here on

Other sequences are easily found. Give some in which pupils answer questions and use the forms was, wasn't and were, weren't.

1 As in § 95.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Or Friday, or any other recent day that was a holiday.

Were you near the blackboard a few seconds ago? (Yes, | I was.) Were you near the door? (No, | I wasn't.) Was I standing near Paul a minute ago? (Yes, | you were.) Was I standing near Peter a minute ago? (No, | you weren't.)

§ 137. The Past Tense form had, and the negative hadn't, may be presented by using sequences such as this:

Look, | I have three pencils in my hand. I'm going to put one in my pocket. How many pencils have I in my hand now? I have two. A few moments a-go I had three. Now I have two.

Give other examples using different articles. Then repeat, putting questions to the class:

How many books have I on my desk \now? (You have \three.) How many had I a few -seconds a \go? (You had \five, etc.)

Use long sequences to revise recent tense usages and verb patterns:

Susan, | "give Mary these three books." Mary, | what has Susan just done? (She's given me three books.) Jane, | what has Susan done? (She's given Mary three books.) Mary, | give me the red book. What have you just done? (I've given you the red book.) Joyce, | how many books has Mary now? (She has two.) How many books had she a minute a go? (She had three.) Betty, | who has the red book now? (You have.) Mary, | now give me the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note the new structure these three books. These and those precede adjectives of number. The three books used here should be three different colours.

Thrown book. Joan, | what has Mary just done? (She's given you the brown book.) How many books has Mary now, Helen? (She has only one.) How many had she five seconds a go? (She had two.) How many had she two minutes ago? (She had three.) Nelly, | had Mary ten books two minutes ago? (No, she hadn't. She had three.)

Or whatever is approximately correct.

#### CHAPTER 28 (§§ 138-44)

## The Simple Past Tense (2)

§ 138. The Past Tense forms of many of the commonest verbs are irregular. We cannot postpone verbs such as come, go, sit, stand, and write merely because they are irregular. Pupils must learn them. We can, however, start with a group of verbs with Past Tense forms that are regular. The Past Tense will be presented in a sequence of statements, questions, and answers. At first, however, the interrogative and negative forms (requiring did and the infinitive) will not be used. Questions will be used only in the Present Progressive and Present Perfect Tenses.

§ 139. In the specimen sequences that follow only verbs that are already known are used. These verbs are all regular (i.e. the Past Tense form has -d or -ed in the spelling). The sounds of the Past Tense ending are /t/, /d/, and /id/, as in look(ed) /luk(t)/, pull(ed) /pul(d)/, and count(ed) /'kaunt(id)/.

Alice, | count the lines on the blackboard. How many are there? (There are three.) What has Alice just done, Nancy? (She's counted the lines on the blackboard.) Alice, | rub the red line out. Joan, | what's Alice going to do? (She's going to rub the red line out.) Betty, | what has Alice just done? (She's rubbed the red line out.) Thank you, Alice. Go back to your seat.

Ask two other pupils to rub out the other two lines (white and blue). Use the same questions and answers. Then, when the pupils are all in their seats, continue:

Are there any lines on the blackboard now? \No, |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As on previous occasions, see that Alice cannot get the duster or eraser until questions and answers are finished.

there are in lines on the blackboard now.

A few minutes ago | there were three lines on the board. There was a fred line, | a fwhite line, | and a blue line. Alice rubbed the red line out. Mary rubbed the white line out. Jill rubbed the blue one out

§ 140. In order to contrast the Present Perfect and the Simple Past, make a simple sketch on the blackboard (e.g. a matchstick figure of a man), and talk in this way:

Look, | I'm drawing a man. I'm going to rub the Alegs out. What have I just Adone? I've rubbed the Alegs out. Now I'm going to rub the Jarms out. Look, I've rubbed the arms out. Now I've rubbed the head out.

First I rubbed the legs out. Next I rubbed the arms out. Then I rubbed the head out.

§ 141. Give further examples using push and pull (e.g. a desk or table), open and close (e.g. a book, handbag, door, or window), show (in the pattern show somebody something), walk, and touch. Give examples of the negative and interrogative and of short answers (e.g. Yes, I did). Use the contracted form didn't.

Here are specimen sequences:

(a) Jack, | go to the door. Touch it. Open it. Close it. Walk to the blackboard. Touch the top of the blackboard. Now touch the bottom of the

Take this \duster. \Clean the blackboard. Show the class the duster. Thank you. Go back to your

- (b) What did Jack \do a minute ago? He went to the \door. He \touched it. He \opened it. Then he \closed it. What did he do \next? He walked to the \blackboard. He touched the \top of the blackboard. Then he touched the \bottom of the blackboard. Then he \took the \duster. He \cleaned the blackboard. He \showed you the \duster. Then he \went back to his \seat.
  - § 142. Such long sequences will need to be repeated several times before your pupils are familiar with the new forms. In the repetitions an occasional addition may be made. For example, while the pupil is at the blackboard:

Write your name on the blackboard. Now rub it lout.

Then, in the sequence that follows, the Past Tense form wrote will be presented.

He wrote his name on the blackboard. Then he rubbed it nout.

When pupils have heard many sequences, require a pupil to give a sequence of commands (as in (a) above). Then put questions to the class:

What did Roger do first? (He walked to the black-board.) What did he do next? (He wrote his name on the blackboard, etc.)

§ 143. Give further sequences using the Past Tense forms put, took, came, and gave. Contrast the Past Tense and the Present Perfect Tense by using today and yesterday, this week and last week. Note that last week is a new teaching item. Last has been used only in conjunction with first (the first and last months of the year). Now you are using last in contrast to this.

Here are specimen sequences:

-Were you here Jyesterday? Yes, | you were. You came to school yesterday. You have come to school to day.

Tom, | were you at school last week? Yes, | you were. You came to school last week. Did Paul come to school last week? Yes, | he did. Did you come to school on Sunday? No, | you didn't. I didn't come to school on Sunday.

Did I give you English lessons last month? Yes, I did. I gave you English lessons last month. Have I given you English lessons this month? Yes, I have. I've given you English lessons this month. Did I give you French lessons last month? No, I didn't. Have I given you French lessons this month? No, I haven't.

Susan, | come there, please. Open this tox. What have you just thome, Susan? (I've opened the tox.) Put this thook in the box. What have you done? You've put the book in the tox. Take the book tout. You've taken the book tout. Give thelen the book. What has Susan just thome, Anne? (She has given Helen the book.)

What did Susan do first? She came here. What did she do next? She opened this box. What did she do then? She put this book in the box. What did she do then? She took the book out. Did she give me the book or did she give Helen the book? She gave Helen the book. Who has the book now?

The use of school without an article may be commented on.
Or Friday if Friday is the weekly holiday.

Helen has. Helen, | give me the book. Thank you. What has Helen just done? She has given me the book.

In this long sequence you have used the Past Tense forms came, gave, put, and took, and the Past Participle forms come, given, put, and taken. Write out on the blackboard in three columns the irregular forms so far presented.

come	came	come
do	did	done
give	gave	given
go	went	gone
put	put	put
take	took	taken
write	wrote	written

Then write sentences in which the new forms are used.

Tom gave me a book yesterday.

Tom has given me a book today.

I wrote my name on the blackboard yesterday.

I have written my name on the blackboard today.

Pupils should write sentences of this kind, each with an adverb or adverb phrase of time, in their notebooks.

§ 144. After several repetitions of this material, so that correct associations may be formed between tense and time, the sequences may be used again with answers from the pupils. When the answers come easily, promptly, and correctly, pupils may take charge by making the statements, asking and answering the questions.

Further practice may be given by using the suggestions given in § 85 for teaching the prepositions over and under.

#### CHAPTER 29 (§§ 145-56)

# Numerals after these, those, and the possessives; every; all; both

§ 145. The new material in this chapter is concerned with word order. These and those, and such possessives as my, your, Tom's, precede numbers, as in these three bags and Tom's two brothers. So do both and all, as in both these boys, all Mary's books. These and other patterns in which determinatives are used, may be presented in the ways suggested and illustrated below.

§ 146. Start with simple statements in which a number is used with a plural noun. Then continue with statements in which numbers are used without the nouns.

There are \ten \balls in this bag. I'm \text{-taking them \text{out.} \Look! Five are \text{-red.} Three are \text{-green.} Two are \text{-white.}

How many books are there on that shelf? Count them, Tom. (There are four teen.) Four are green. Five are black. Five are blue.

Require pupils to make similar sequences (e.g. about differently coloured lines, short and long words, small and capital letters, large and small numbers, all on the blackboard).

§ 147. For examples of the possessives and numbers, it will be useful if pupils have, or are supplied with, articles of various sizes and colours, such as balls, pencils, books, stones (e.g. rounded of these provides an opportunity for revision of the verb give (in the pattern give somebody something).

Come there, William. I'm going to give you some books. Take them. How many books have I given

you? (You've given me three.) Put them on that table. Paul, | I'm going to give you some books. Peter, | how many books have I given Paul? (You've given him four books.) Paul, | put the books on the table. Peter, | take these books. How many books have I given you, Peter? (You've given me five.) Put them on the table, please.

There are now three lots of books on the table: three for William, four for Paul, five for Peter. Put another lot of books on the table and say:

These books are mine.

Then, speaking to William, Paul, and Peter in turn, say:

These three are yours. These four are yours. These five are yours. Whose are these? These four are mine.

Next address the class. Touch or point to the books and say:

These three are William's. These four are Paul's. These five are Peter's. These four are mine.

Require William, Paul, and Peter in turn to make statements, first addressing the 'owners' of the books and then the class.

Require other pupils to distribute the books, or other articles, to make the statements ('I'm going to give you ...'), ask the questions ('How many ... have I given ...'), and make further statements ('These ... are \mine; these are \Mary's, etc.').

§ 148. Follow the same procedure, distributing articles to pupils, but this time do it so that each pupil has a number of articles of the same colour. You will then be able to say:

How many balls has \Susan? She has \two. How many balls has \Anne? She has \five, etc.

Your two are \red, Susan. Your five are \white, Anne. What colour are \mine? My four are \green.

§ 149. Give further practice by asking three or four pupils to draw lines in coloured chalk on the blackboard. Each pupil may have a different part of the blackboard and write his or her name after or near the lines. You can give instructions and ask questions to revise tense usages:

John, | take this piece of \chalk. What \colour is it? (It's \red.) Draw three \lines on the blackboard. Draw them \here, please. What has John just \done? (He's drawn three \lines.)

When the lines are drawn, require pupils to make statements and ask questions.

These three are mine. They're white. John's three are red. Colin's five are yellow, etc.

§ 150. Give a few examples of statements in the pattern: these (those) × number × adjective of colour, size, etc. × noun (or ones).

Look at these lines. These three green ones are mine. These two white ones are Susan's. These four red ones are Paul's.

Require pupils to write in their notebooks some examples of this word order. *These* and *those* precede other adjectives. Numbers precede adjectives of size, colour, shape, etc.

§ 151. Every is useful for the presentation of the Simple Present Tense (Chapter 31). It is convenient, therefore, to present there, though not with nouns that stand for temporal divisions. Here are suggestions for suitable methods of presentation. A supply of identical books or other articles is useful.

Look at these books. I'm putting them on the table. Every book on the table is blue. Every book on the table is an English book.

Pick the books up and distribute them to the class, talking as you do so, until every pupil has a book.

I'm going to give you these books. Tom, | have I given you a book? (Yes, | you have.) George, | have I given you Jone book | or two books? (You've given me one book.) What colour are these books, Paul? (They're blue.) Are they English books or (Thai) books, Henry? (They're English books. etc.)

You may prefer to have the books handed out to the class by one of the pupils. In this case your statements and questions will,

of course, be different:

Nancy is going to give you these books. Joyce, | has Nancy given you a book? (Yes, | she has or No, | she hasn't.) Lucy, | has Nancy given you Jone book | or two books? (She's given me tone book, etc.)

Now bring in every again.

Every girl (boy, child, pupil) in this class has a book now.

Has every child in this class a Jpen? Hands Jup, please.1 Show me your pens. Yes, | every child in this class has a pen. (or, No, | one child hasn't a pen. Two girls haven't pens.)

Has every child in this class a pencil? Show me your pencils. Yes, | every child in this class has a pencil.

§ 152. Next give a sequence in which not every occurs. Draw a number of lines on the blackboard some white and others coloured, some long and some short. Write a number of words on the blackboard, all English words, but some short (e.g. in, at, and, not, any, have) and others long (e.g. December, umbrella, cigarette).

Make the meaning of this clear, if necessary, by holdin up your own right hand.

Look at these \lines. Is every line \text{white? \No, \not \text{every line is white.} \This line isn't white. It's \text{green.} \This line isn't white. It's \text{red.} \not \text{every line is white.}

Look at these words. Is every word an English word? Yes, | every word is an English word. Is every word short? No, | not vevery word is short. This word isn't short. This word isn't short, etc. How many short words are there? How many long words are there?

Require pupils to come forward and repeat these sequences.

§ 153. The presentation of all, in all the, all these (those), all my (your, his, her, etc.) may follow. The procedures set out below may be used.

Look, | I have ten pencils. I'm going to put them in this box. How many pencils are there in the box now? (There are seven.) Look! All the pencils are in the box now.

I'm going to take the -pencils \out of the box. I'm going to put them in my \pocket. How many pencils have I -taken out of the box \now, Roger? (You've taken box. \All the pencils are in my pocket now.

Take groups of articles (e.g. books, balls, flowers) of different colours or sizes and place them in different places, one group of each near you and the other at a distance. Then talk about them.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>t</sup> If time allows you can use this material for further drilling of going to, the Present Perfect, etc., by asking questions.

<sup>2</sup> Repeat this statement several times.

Look at these \flowers. All these flowers are \yellow. Look at \those flowers. All those flowers are \red.

Those books. The all these books blue? Yes, they are. These books are blue. Look at those books. The all these books are blue. The attention of the are brown, etc.

After several different sequences, or several repetitions of the above sequences, require pupils to come forward and make the statements, ask the questions, etc.

For all my (your, his, etc.) you will need to distribute a number of articles of various colours or sizes. Statements can then be

made:

All my balls are white. All your balls are green. All Mary's balls are blue, etc.

When there has been enough repetition, require pupils to ask and answer questions.

What colour are all \Susan's flowers? (They're \blue.) What colour are all \your flowers, Joyce? (They're \white, etc.)

§ 154. The alternative pattern, in which all is placed with the verb, may either be presented now or postponed. If you present it now, use the sequences set out above, but instead of:

All these books are \blue.

All my balls are \white, etc.

say These books are all \blue.

My balls are all \white, etc.

§ 155. Both, like all, precedes the definite article, these (those), and the possessives. See that both is clearly linked with two in your presentation.

Look, | I have two keys. This key is small. This is \large. What have I \done? I've put both the keys in this \box.

Look at these two pencils. This pencil is red. This

is \blue. Both these pencils are \mine.

Come there, Peter. Hold your right tarm up. Now hold your left arm up. What's Peter doing? He's holding both his arms up. Thank you, Peter, go back to your \seat.

David, | come there, please. Bring me two books. Look, | I have both David's books. David has given me both his books. I'm holding both the

books \up.

After giving these sequences, with repetitions and variations, use them again and require pupils to answer your questions; e.g.:

What have I \done? (You've put both the keys in the \box.)

What has David \given me? (He's given you both his \books.)

§ 156. Both has the same alternative pattern as all (§ 154). If you present it now give examples of this kind:

Both these pencils are mine. These pencils are both mine.

Both these books are David's. These books are both David's.

### CHAPTER 30 (§§ 157-62)

## The Future Tense: Will, Shall

§ 157. The future of intention, going to and an infinitive, has already been presented. In this chapter there are procedures for presenting the pure future indicated by the use of will and shall.

Shall is used here only with the first person pronouns I and we. For the second person interrogative will you is preferred to shall you even though there is a useful distinction between 'Will you get back early?' (which may be a request, 'Please get back early') and 'Shall you get back early?' (which is an inquiry only).

In some syllabuses shall is postponed until a fairly late stage, on the grounds (1) that learners may be confused by the use of both will and shall, and (2) that in the U.S.A. and other countries where English is used as the mother tongue, shall has fallen or is

falling into disuse, or is not used as it is in England.

If your syllabus, or the textbooks you are using in class, make it desirable for you to ignore or postpone shall, modify the material given here accordingly. Most educated people in England still use will and shall with the distinctions shown here. You may, therefore, consider that your pupils should have at least a recognition knowledge of these distinctions.

§ 158. Start with examples of will. Use situations in which there is no possibility of wish, promise, or intention.

Today is Monday. Yesterday was Sunday. Tomorrow will be Tuesday.

This month is May. Last month was April. Next

month will be \June.

You're here to day. Were you here yesterday? (Yes, | I was, or No, | I wasn't.) You will be here to morrow.

Give you will two or three times and then give you'll /ju:1/.

Will John be here tomorrow? Yes, | he will. He'll be here to morrow.

At this point you may write on the blackboard you will/you'll, he will/he'll, she will/she'll, and they will/they'll.

§ 159. Continue with statements and questions about ages and birthdays. Ask a number of pupils, in their own language, how old they are, and make a note of their ages. Then, without comment or explanation, make statements in English:

John is twelve years old. Tom is twelve years old, too. Harry is e leven. Duncan is twelve.

Next, without translation or explanation, ask questions with how old. Answer the questions yourself at first, and then require answers from pupils.

Thow old is John? He's twelve. Thow old is Tom? He's twelve, too. Thow old is Harry? He's eleven, etc. Thow old are you, David? (I'm twelve.) Tom, how old is John? (He's twelve.)

Again using the language of your pupils, ask a number of pupils for their birthdays. Make a note of these on the blackboard, opposite the names of the pupils. Then make statements in English, pointing to the names and dates on the blackboard as you do so.

When is John's \birthday? It's on the first of May. How \old was John | on his last \birthday? He was \twelve. How old will he be on his \next birthday? He'll be thir \teen.

Repeat the sequence with names of other pupils. Then put questions:

How old were you on your last \birthday, Peter? (I was e leven.) How old will Peter be on his \next birthday, Tom? (He'll be \twelve.) How old was \Susan on her last birthday, Helen? (She was \twelve.) How old will she be on her \next birthday? (She'll be thir \teen.)

Finally, require pupils to come forward and put similar questions to their class-mates.

§ 160. Introduce *shall* with I and we. Use first the material in § 158 and then continue:

I'm here to day. Was I here yesterday? (Yes, | you were.) I shall be here to morrow.

Use the weak form of shall in this statement: shall /[əl/. Call two or three pupils to the front and continue:

I shall be here to morrow. You'll be here tomorrow, Tom. You'll be here tomorrow, Harry. Peter, | you'll be here tomorrow.

Stand with these pupils and address them:

We shall be here to morrow.

Again use the weak form of shall.

Now present the interrogative, this time using the strong form of shall /[al/.

Shall I be here to morrow? Yes, | I shall. Shall I be here on Thursday? Yes, | I shall.

Unless you have an objection to letting pupils know your age, you may continue with the material in § 159, speaking about yourself.

My birthday is on the third of August. How old was I on my last birthday? I was fifty two. On my next birthday | I shall be fifty three.

Note that the weak form of shall is needed here: I shall be /aislbi/.

§ 161. Now that pupils have heard shall they may be expected to use it in answers. Questions with will you require I shall in the answers.

Were you here last week? (Yes, | I was.) Will you be here next week? (Yes, | I shall.)

Now put the same questions to the whole class, for chorus answers.

Were you here last week? (Yes, | we were.)
Will you be here next week? (Yes, | we shall.)

Return to individual questioning:

How old are you now? (I'm e leven.) How old will you be on your next birthday? (I shall be twelve.)

How old is Harry now? (He's ten.) How old will he be next year? (He'll be e leven.)

§ 162. The forms won't /wount/ and shan't /sa:nt/ with the changes in the vowel sounds, may be postponed if you need to these procedures may be used.

(1) Questions about age (asked and answered by you):

How old will Joyce be on her next \birthday? She'll be \twelve. Will \mathcal{M} ary be twelve on her next birthday? \text{No, | she \text{won't. She'll be e \leven on her next birthday.}

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> None of the questions are requests, so the answer 'I will' is not needed unless you have decided to ignore *shall*.

Write won't on the blackboard. Tell the class that it is the usual contracted form of will not.

(2) Questions about attendance at school:

Was Harold at school yesterday? Yes, | he was. Is he at school to day? Yes, | he is. Will he be at school to morrow? Yes, | he will. Will he be at school on Sunday? No, | he won't. Harold won't be at school on Sunday. Sunday's a holiday.

Holiday may be pronounced either /holidei/ or /holidi/. The meaning should be guessed from the context.

I was here yesterday. I'm here to day. Shall I be here to morrow? Yes, I shall. Shall I be here on Sunday? No, I shan't. I shan't be here on Sunday. Sunday's a holiday.

Write shan't on the blackboard. Tell the class that it is the usual contracted form of shall not. Continue:

(To the whole class) "Shall we be here on Sunday? No, | we shan't. "Shall we be here in (Sep tember)?" No, | we shan't.

Now ask questions that require won't and shan't in the answers:

Paul, | will you be here on Sunday? (No, | I shan't.) Will Peter be here on Sunday? (No, | he won't.) Shall I be here on Sunday? (No, | you won't.)

David, will you be twelve on your next birthday? (Yes, | I shall.) Will you be twenty on your next

birthday? (No, | I shan't, etc.)

<sup>1</sup> Or Friday, if this is the usual weekly holiday.
<sup>2</sup> Give the name of a month which comes during the long annual holiday.

## CHAPTER 31 (§§ 163-7)

## The Simple Present Tense (1)

§ 163. The Simple Present Tense, or the Present Habitual Tense as it is also called, is, in several English syllabuses, kept back until after the Past and Future Tenses have been presented. There are good reasons for this. This tense covers past, present, and future time. When I say, 'Mr. Green writes novels' my statement is not confined to the present. Mr. Green has already written novels and will presumably continue to do so. By presenting the Past and Future Tenses before the Simple Past, we are able to present the new tense in such sequences as this: You came to school yesterday (or last week, or last month). You will come to school tomorrow (or next week, or every month). You come to school every day (or week, or month). In this way the new tense is from the start associated with the idea of what is habitual, of time extending back into the past and forward into the future.

There are, however, numerous English courses in which the Simple Present Tense is introduced at an early stage, before the Past, Present Perfect, and Future Tenses, and even before the Present Progressive Tense.

In this chapter the procedures that are set out are for use in classes where the Past and Future Tenses are already known. Procedures for use in classes where the Simple Present Tense is required before the Past and Future Tenses are set out in the

The third person singular form (with s) should be presented separately, either before or after the other form.

§ 164. The word every was presented in §§ 151-2 (Chapter 29), but not with divisions of time. Every day will, however, probably be understood at once. If not, give a vernacular equivalent. Here are some easy sequences:

John, | did you come to -school yesterday? (Yes,

I \did.) Will you come to -school to morrow? (\Yes, I \shall.) You come to school every \day.

I came to school yesterday. I shall come to school

to morrow. I come to -school every day.

John and I came to -school yesterday. We shall come to -school to morrow. We come to -school every day.

Do has been used so far only as the infinitive (in going to do, what did I do). It is now to be used as a finite verb.

John, | do you come to school every day? Yes, | You do. Do I come to school every day? Yes, | I do.

§ 165. Give other sequences. If you use a new Past Tense and Past Participle form (e.g. brought), give several repetitions and then write it on the blackboard in the usual way (bring—brought—brought), with model sentences for pupils to copy into their notebooks.

Look. This is my \bag.<sup>2</sup> I have brought my \bag to school today. I brought it to -school \yesterday. I shall bring it to -school to \morrow. I bring it to school \text{veery day.}

These are my books. I've brought them to -school to day. I brought them to -school yesterday. I shall bring them to -school to morrow. I bring them to

school every day.

Mary, | have you brought your books to school today? (Yes, | I have.) Did you bring your books to school yesterday? (Yes, | I did.) Will you bring

Or will (see § 157).
 e.g. (for a woman) a handbag; (for a man) a briefcase.

your books to school to morrow? (Yes, I | shall.) Do you bring your books to school Jevery day? (Yes, I \do.)

§ 166. Give sequences in which the negative occurs so that don't |dount| is presented.

Look, | I've brought some \flowers today. Did I bring any flowers to school yesterday? No, | I didn't. Do I bring flowers to school jevery day? No, I don't.

Did I give you an English lesson Jyesterday? (Yes, | you did, or No, | you didn't.) Shall I give you an English lesson to morrow? (Yes, | you will, or No, you won't.) Do I give you an English lesson fevery day? (\Yes, | you \do, or \No, | you \don't.)

§ 167. Next give sequences in which the third person singular occurs. The sound of the ending may be /s/, /z/, or /iz/, three endings with which pupils are already familiar (noun plurals).

Start by quickly repeating the sequences given in § 165. Then

use these again with the name of a pupil as the subject.

These are Susan's books. She has brought them to -school to day. She brought them to -school yesterday. She'll bring them to -school to morrow. She brings them to school every day.

Look, Anne has a pen on her desk. She has brought a pen to school today. Does Anne bring a pen to school Jevery day? Yes, | she does. Does Anne bring an um brella to school every day? No, | she

Or an umbrella, or any other article that you may occasionally bring to school.

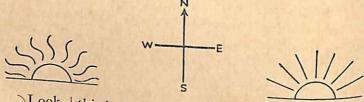
Does Joyce come to Jschool every day? Yes, | she does. Does JAnne come to school every day, | Jtoo? Yes, | she does. Susan, | do Jyou come to school every day? (Yes, | I do.) Does Mary come to school every day? (Yes, | she does.) Does Mary bring an um Jbrella to school every day? (No, | she doesn't.)

## CHAPTER 32 (§§ 168-74)

## The Simple Present Tense (2)

§ 168. The procedures set out in this chapter may be used for presenting the Simple Present Tense before pupils have learnt to use the Past, Present Perfect, and Future Tenses. These procedures are likely to be needed if the textbook you are using is designed primarily for teaching reading. Several new verbs are introduced. The meanings of these may be given in the mother tongue of your pupils, or, in some cases, be guessed from the context or from pictures, blackboard sketches, etc.

§ 169. Make a sketch on the blackboard marked N., S., E., and W. Read these as 'north, south, east, and west'. Then draw, on the right side of the blackboard, a sketch of the rising sun, and, on the left side, a sketch of the setting sun, as shown here. Then make statements, first using come up and go down, and later rise and set.



Look, | this is the \sun. The sun comes -up in the \east. It goes -down in the \west.

The adverbs *up* and *down* are new, so use gestures (a sweeping movement of the arm) to help pupils to form the right associations.

Repeat the statements several times and then continue:

The sun rises in the east. It sets in the west.

As you utter the words *rises* and *sets*, repeat the gestures used with *up* and *down*.

§ 170. If your pupils have learnt the word day, they probably know it as in 'There are seven days in a week', i.e. meaning a period of twenty-four hours. In many languages the same word is used for 'period of twenty-four hours' and for 'time when the sun is above the horizon'. So you can continue by using day with the new verb shine. If you have already presented the Present Progressive Tense you may contrast the two tenses.

The sun shines during the day. Is the sun shining now? (Yes, | it is, or No, | it isn't.)

Draw a blackboard sketch of the moon.

The moon -shines during the night.

- § 171. If your pupils are accustomed to the analysis of sounds, write on the blackboard the forms sets, shines, and rises and call attention to the sounds of the -s ending. If your pupils are familiar with phonemic symbols you may add, after these three words, the symbols /s/, /z/, and /iz/.
- § 172. Next present the interrogative. If your pupils have not yet learnt the Past Tense they will not be acquainted with the helping verb do or with the infinitive form of verbs. Much repetition will be needed, and it may be useful to give some explanation, or equivalents of your statements and questions, in the mother tongue. (You are much more likely to need the mother tongue using the procedures of this chapter than if you use the procedures set out in Chapter 31.)

Look at this \drawing. When does the sun \shine? Does it shine during the \forall day? \Yes, | it \does. Does it shine during the \night? \No, | it \doesn't.

Where does the sun rise? It rises in the east.

Does the sun rise in the west? No, | it doesn't.

Where does the sun set? It sets in the west.

This is the moon. When does the moon shine? It shines during the \night.

After numerous repetitions of this material, repeat the sequences and require pupils to answer the questions. Later get pupils to make the statements, and ask and answer the questions.

§ 173. When the third person singular form has been mastered, present the tense in other ways, with third person plural, and with the first and second persons. Wall pictures and maps, or blackboard sketches, will be useful.

Show pictures or blackboard sketches of birds and fishes.

Look, these are birds. Birds Aly. These are Ifishes. Fishes Iswim. Do birds Ifly? Yes, | they \do. Do fishes fly? \No, | they \don't.

Write do and don't on the blackboard. Tell the class that don't is the usual contraction in spoken English for do not, and call attention to the change from /u:/ to /ou/.

Use a wall map or blackboard sketch of Europe or Asia, name various countries, and then make statements about the languages

Look at this map. It's a map of Asia. This is China. This is Japan. This is India. This is Burma. China, | Japan, | India, | and Burma | are countries. They're countries in Asia.

In China | the people speak Chi nese. In Ja pan | the people speak Japa nese. In Burma | they speak Bur mese. Chi nese, | Japa nese, | and Bur mese | are languages. In India | the people speak many languages.2

In which country do they speak Chinese? They

If the country in which you are teaching happens to be one of the countries named here you will, of course, substitute we for people or they. 2 Your pupils may have heard many only in 'How many ...?' Give an

equivalent of 'many languages' in the mother tongue if necessary.

speak Chinese in China. Do they speak Chinese in India? No, | they don't. In which country do they speak Japa nese? They speak it in Ja pan.

Do they speak only Jone language in India or

many languages? They speak many languages.

What language do we speak | in our country? We speak (\cdots...).

Where do they speak English? They speak it in

Britain. They speak it in the United States.

When pupils have heard these sequences repeatedly, use them again and require pupils to answer your questions. Then require Pupils to make statements, and ask and answer questions.

- § 174. If further sequences are needed, the following may be used.
- (1) Write the names of the seven days of the week in a line across the blackboard (not vertically, in a column, because you are going to use before and after). If your blackboard is narrow, use the abbreviations (Sun., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat.).

Then make statements, ask and answer questions.

Monday comes be fore \Tuesday. Monday comes after Sunday. Where does Wednesday come? It comes after Tuesday. It comes be tween Tuesday and Thursday, etc., etc.

(2) Write the names of the months in the same way and use

Similar sequences.

Does May come Jafter June | or be fore June? It comes be fore June. Which month comes after Sep tember? Oc tober comes after September.

(3) Write a series of letters (e.g. ABCDEF, VWXYZ) and use

sequences similar to those used for the days of the week.

Pupils should be asked to come to the blackboard and ask questions about these series, to be answered by their class-mates.

§ 175. Before other tenses are presented it will be useful to give a revision of the Simple Present, the Simple Past, and the Future (with will and shall). Practice is needed with the interrogative and negative. Drills must continue until the correct forms come promptly and easily. If pupils produce versions such as 'Did he went', 'Does she comes', 'I didn't wrote', the teacher must give further examples himself.

Pupils will be helped if a simple Table is written on the black-board. The second column will be of infinitive forms. Pupils will, after making use of this Table, learn to say 'Did he go', 'Does she come', 'I didn't write', instead of the incorrect forms of the first paragraph.

A specimen of the kind of Table that may be used is given here.

D:4 M			
Did Mr. A Does Mr A. Will Mr. A	give	us an English lesson	yesterday? every day?
We didn't	- Faller		tomorrow?
We don't We shan't	come	to school	last Sunday on Sundays
Did you	The State of the S		next Sunday
Do you Will you	write	the date on the blackboard	yesterday? every day?
Did Mr. A	H PRU		tomorrow?
Does Mr. A Will Mr. A	teach	us	last week? every week?
A punil m	next week?		

A pupil may be asked to read statements from the Table or to read questions that will be answered by other pupils. Answers may be short or long, e.g.

TDid Mr. A give us an English lesson last week? Yes, he idid. or Yes, Mr. A gave us an English lesson last week.

The short answers give practice in the use of the anomalous finites. The long answer gives practice in the full sentence patterns.

Instead of requiring the two forms of answer from two pupils, one pupil may be required to give both.

Do we come to school on Sundays? No, we don't. We don't come to school on Sundays.

Did we come to school Jyesterday? Yes, we idd.

We came to school yesterday.

## APPENDIX

THE names in each of these lists are arranged in three groups: (a) names to which the sound /s/ is added for 's; (b) names to which the sound /z/ is added for 's; (c) names to which the sound /iz/ is added for 's.

If these names are used, a selection should be made so that a fair proportion from each group is included, so that pupils

may learn to use these three endings.

# LIST ONE: FAMILY NAMES (SURNAMES)

Black('s) blak(s)  Dent('s) dent(s)	(a) North('s) no:θ(s)  Smith('s)	West('s) west(s) White('s)
Green('s) gri:n(z) Hill('s) hil(z)	smiθ(s)  (b)  Lee('s) li:(z)  Walker('s) 'wo:kə(z)	wait(s)  Wood('s) wud(z)  Young('s) jnn(z)
Davis('s)  deivis(iz)  Ellis('s)  elis(iz)	(c)  Hopkins('s)  'hopkins(iz)  Morris('s)  'moris(iz)	Price('s)  prais(iz)  Yates('s)  jeits(iz)

LIST TWO: BOYS' NAMES

	LIBI IIIO.		
Derek('s)	Eric('s)	frank('s) frank(s)	Herbert('s)  hə:bət(s)
derik(s)  Dick('s)  dik(s)	Frnest('s)  la:nist(s)	Frederick('s) Ifrederick(s)	Hubert('s)  'hju:bət(s)
Jack('s) d3ak(s)	Kenneth('s)  'keniθ(s)	Philip('s) Ifilip(s)	Ralph('s) ralf(s)
Joseph('s) dousif(s)	Mark('s) ma:k(s)	Robert('s)  robet(s)	
Alan('s)	Basil('s)	(b) Edward('s)	Martin('s)
alən(z)   Alexander('s)	Basil(s)  Ibazl(z)  Brian('s)	Gordon('s)	Paul('s)
alig'za:ndə(z)  Alfred('s)		Igo:dn(z)  Harold('s)	po:l(z)  Roger('s)  rod 39(z)
'alfrid(z)  Andrew('s)	'kolin(z)  David('s)	harəld(z)  Henry('s)  henri(z)	Tom('s) tom(z)
landru:(z)  Arthur('s) la:θə(z)	Ideivid(z)  Desmond('s)  Idezmand(z)	John('s) d3on(z)	William('s)  wiljam(z)
		(c) Laurence('s)	Terence('s)
Bruce('s)  bru:s(iz)	Giles('s)  'd zailz(iz)  Fames('s)	llorəns(iz) Nicholas('s)	Iterans(iz)
Charles('s)  Itsa:lz(iz)	dgeimz(iz)  Thomas('s)	nikələs(iz)  Rex('s)	
Douglas('s) 'dAglas(iz)	'tomas(iz)	'reks(iz)	

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(s')nələH (z)nləd! (s')ənəf (z)niəf (s')niəf (z)eivlie! (z)eləte! (z')nnsu? (z)nisu?	Enid('s)  Enid('s)  Enid(z)  Ghel(z)  Wancy('s)  Inansi(z)  Ineli(z)  Olive('s)	Betty('s)  Daisy('s)  Daisy('s)  Lucy('s)  Ilu:si(z)  Mary('s)  Mary('s)  Mildred('s)	Angela('s) land Jilə(z) Bessie('s) lbesi(z) d Jil('s) d Jil(z)  Katherine('s)  Katherine('s)
(°,')Auth (°): Margaret('°) (ma:garet(a)	(v)  Janst (s')1910st (s)  Janit(s) (s)  Janit(s) (s)  Janit(s)		Edith('s) itidiθ(s) Elizabeth('s) illizabeθ(s)

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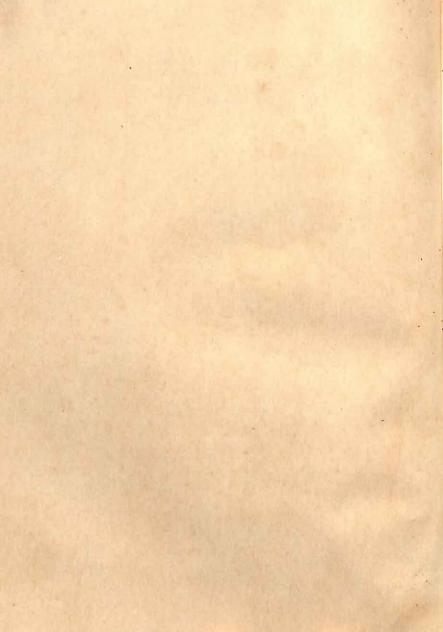
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